







BENEDICTINE HIGH SCHOOL

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abstract concepts

One Spirit to face one challenge. That of the St. Christophers football game. (Right) Here the Cadets gather to disperse an evil omen by asserting their own good spirits and eulogizing the St. Christophers team.

One military unit reaches perfection with the addition of the Sponsors on Sponsors' Day. (Below) Anticipation of events to come sets the tone for the rest of the year. Officers and Sponsors look forward to many happy memories.





become part of every cadet's life

Benedictine as one.

One student body, one military unit, one spirit. When one part fails, we all fail, when one succeeds, all succeed. Our quest? To make ourselves part of Benedictine, and Benedictine part of ourselves. To look and say, "I belong there, I am part of that great

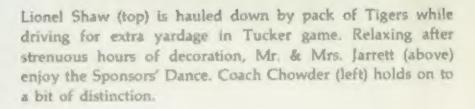
place."

At Benedictine, a Cadet is taught to realize his own value. This is called Responsibility. To know that it is within his power to contribute, and then to contribute. This is real Responsibility. He is taught the value of others. This is called Respect. To realize that there are people who have earned the right to be respected, and that he will be respected only if he respects others. He is taught always to be honest, truthful, Christian. This is called Integrity. To understand that truth, honesty, and Christian principles are his guidelines to perfection as a human being. And a Cadet is taught to care. To care about his fellow Cadet. To care enough to become involved. To better himself so that he will have more to give others. This is called Love.

Responsibility
Respect
Integrity
Love
Cadets
Benedictine











Things did happen to Pvt, Tom Hillgrove (above) in Mr. Crowder's "Sock it To Me" class. Col. Dave Solari and Miss Mary Anna Booker (below left) anticipate the happening of Sponsors' Day. Big things happen when the whole corps contributed to the Tobacco Festival Parade 1969. (right)





Cadet's responsibility is to contribute, to make



Above . . . A reliable barometer, the growing collection of half-filled bottles gives indication of a busy but successful year. Right . . . Fathers and sons join with Abbot Walter for celebration of the annual Father-Son Dinner.





Good times, bad times, time to think

Things happen when you're a Cadet. Some things happen that are funny, others not so funny. Serious things, happy things, things that make you want to quit, and then things that show you that you can't, you're a Cadet.

Good times, bad times, time to let you think. Think about things that happen. Realize that you don't have to let things happen to you, that you can make things happen. Not to follow along letting things put you into your slot, but to lead and make your own place, you're a Cadet.

To do things, to get involved. Not to be afraid to try. Contribute; your time, your work, your play, yourself. Do something, anything as long as you are contributing. To give is your responsibility, you're a Cadet.

You see things happen, and then find out that they only happen because others have made them happen. They have contributed, they have given part of themselves, and they receive from what they give. After four years you realize that there was so much that you should have given, could have given, you're a cadet.

things happen, so he can say, "I am a Cadet"

The end of a search is to find the beginning



Above . . . Steve Roberts warms to Cadet spirit as Bonfire blazes on a crisp Fall night. Right . . . The lazy days of Autumn take their fearful toll on student participation. Below . . . A picture of confidence, Coach Rutledge lights up famous cigar as the team rolls on to another victory.



Will be to arrive where we started

And know the place for the first time.

T. S. Eliot

To arrive at the end of the year at Benedictine. A year of hard work and hard play. To know that it's over, that it will never happen again. Not to know whether to laugh, or to cry. To realize now how much that time gone by means. To really know Benedictine, it's spirit, it's importance.

We have arrived where we started. Facing a new and greater challenge. To change the world or just one person.

This time we know where we are, we know the place. And knowing the place for the first time, knowing also that because we have arrived at the end of this search, we must go on.





Above . . . Silhouetted by the glowing flames Cadet and date pass a memorable but fleeting moment around the Bonfire. Below . . . Lieutenant Colonel John B Crostic. Battalion Executive Officer, and his sponsor, Miss Janine Dedon, are highlighted at the Sponsors' Dance as seriors salute with raised sabres

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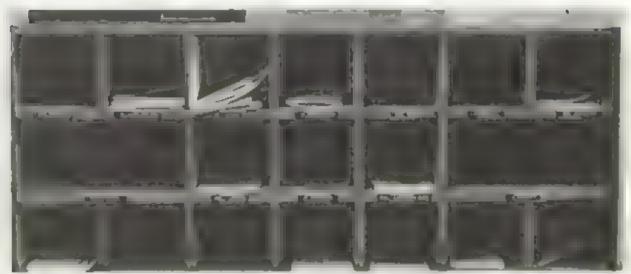
Realization of ability is







Hard work, study, reports, help learn facts and concepts



coordinated goal of faculty and students



Through minutes, hours, days, weeks, months of classes. Through lectures, discussions, arguments, homework, tests. Through hard work, study, reports, and compositions. We realize the purpose of it all. To learn. Not only facts and figures, but concepts, ranging from responsibility to love

Finally we realize that teachers are not here to make things rough. They are here to guide us, by their own example, by showing us the way to go, leading us towards tomorrow. Taking us through the process of preparing for tomorrow. Showing us how to get along, Through example, concern for individuals, realization of potentialities, the need to give, love



Father Adrian retains affable,

effective hold on administrative post

This year, Father Adrian completed his eighth successful term as principal of Benedictine. His personal interest in each student was especially appreciated by his Latin II, III, and IV students

The moderator of several student functions, Father Augustine needs no introduction. Instructor in English and religion as well as Guidance Counselor, Father keeps in close contact with the cadets

Ltc. Tracy M. Caine, Commandant, headed the military department and taught chemistry and religion. As moderator of the Student Council, Ltc. Caine showed his interest in cadet affairs

Father Henry filled the roles of Prior, Treasurer, and Teacher of religion, physical science, and geometry. From him, underclassmen received a firm foundation in math and science.

Bills and report cards occupied the time of Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Mathewson, school secretaries. Their untiring efforts added much to the administration of Benedictine







Father Henry (top) focuses his attention on sophomore Geometry problems; Mrs. Mathewson (above left) pauses from bookkeeping, while Mrs Woods (above right) greets visitors in her unexcelled manner





Latin, German, French



Foreign language staff F Rembert (left) F Adrian (above) F Kieran (top) F Patrick (right) F Benedict (top right)





taught by talk, tape, and tremendous patience



Father Benedict led his classes through the intricacies of French I and II. With his famous drumstick, Father sometimes resorted to pounding knowledge into unwilling students.

Through his Latin I courses, Father Kieran introduced the freshmen to foreign language. Aside from Latin, Father also instructed freshman and junior religion.

"Rembertus locutus, cause finita" set the tone for Father Rembert's Latin I classes. In both religion IV and Latin, Father's years of experience as a teacher created a lively course.

Father Patrick combined his own knowledge with an assortment of books and tapes to instruct his German I and II classes. Although his classes were difficult, Father always made them interesting.



Wyatt, Loughridge, Fr. Thomas, add new

department

Whether working miracles on the basketball court or teaching Algebra II, Coach Rutledge won the respect and admiration of team and students. Coach also acted as Athletic Director and headed the B.C.C.C.

A graduate of the Class of '62, Mr. Wyatt returned to Benedictine this year to teach. In Geometry and Algebra I, he taught the underclassmen the fundamentals of high school math.

Father Thomas was another new teacher at B.H.S. this year. His quiet manner was appreciated by his Algebra I students.

Coach Loughridge combined Physics with Trig Algebra, and General Math





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New faces on English staff infuse new ideas, new life into courses





Teachers register intense or humorous moods: Mr Zenner (above left), Mr. Campbell (above), F. Patrick (below)





F. Raymond (above) and Mr. Wagner (below) - a student-turned-teacher

Literature viewed as key to understanding



In English IV course, Father Patrick prepared puzzled seniors for college. With sometimes low grades, the seniors received a good basis in literature and vocabulary.

Father Raymond guided the freshmen through their first year of high school English. In his religion I and II classes, Father kept the underclassmen abreast of the changes in the Church.

Beowulf, Paradise Lost, and Macbeth characterized different eras of English literature in Coach Zenner's English III course. Along with English, Mr. Zenner also taught Religion I and II.

Mr. George Campbell, a newcomer to B.H.S., taught American Literature in English II. He also coached the debate team.

Mr. Lester Wagner, a Benedictine alumnus, returned this year as a teacher in English, chemistry, and physical science.



Mr. Crowder (above) makes a point to biologists; Col. Caine (right) supervises Battalion exec J. B. Crostic

Biology, Physical Science, Physics, Chemistry introduce students to the microscopic and the macrocosm



Science studies uncover mysteries of life;

Protozoa, the laws of heredity, and rockets occupied Coach Crowder's Biology classes during the past year. In his Phys. Ed. class, Coach trained bodies and kept a sharp lookout for promising athletes.

Ltc. Tracy M. Caine explained the confusing aspects of valences to his Chemistry classes, and used his experience as husband and father to add a new slant to Religion IV





F. Henry (above) hypnotizes his Physical Science class; Mr Loughridge (below) "settles down" his Physics scholars with graphs, cartoons, etc



Father Henry expounded the laws of Euclid and the basic principles of Chemistry and Physics to his Geometry and Physical Science classes. In Religion II, Father taught the Sophomores Church History

A new teacher at Benedictine, Mr. Loughridge taught the seniors Physics and Trig, and the underclassmen Algebra and General Math. His agility and humor made him very popular with his students



A.A. office, library radiate ladies' charm, influence, assistance

Mrs. Ava Soden, Athletic Association Secretary, brightened the office with her cheerful smile as she sold jackets and tickets to a steady stream of cadets

Father Ambrose took over this year as librarian at Benedictine. Sent here from Belmont Abbey, Father also taught Religion III the second semester.

Mrs. Howard filled the position of Assistant Librarian. Her helpful assistance was appreciated by all the students who sought her aid

U.S. and World History and World Geography occupied Coach Richard Lyons this year. Section tests and outlines formed a memorable part of his course.

Mr. Michael Jarrett led the Seniors and Sophomores through the court cases and dates of Government and World History. He also served as Dance Committee Moderator.

Coach Jim McGinnis taught typing, prealgebra, and phys. ed. As head football coach Mr. McGinnis led the Cadets to a 7-2-1 season.



Mrs. Soden (top) checks Athletic Association records. Fr. Ambrose (below left) reads over reference book, as Mrs. Howard (below) alphabetically arranges cards for card catalogue







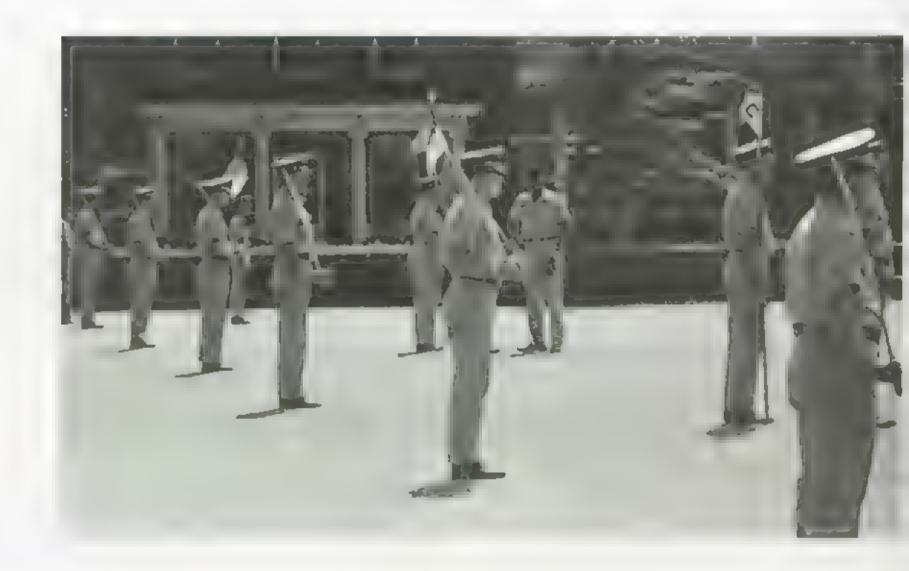




Coach McGinnis (top left) and student discuss typing. Coach Lyons (left) answers questions for history students Government teacher Mr. Jarrett (above) gives notes in class.



Battalion Commandant, Lt. Col. Tracy M. Caine, Ret. C.E. (above) takes a break to discuss cadets with athletic personnel; Platoon leaders (below) follow Sgt. Wheeler's supervision in forming companies



Tactical NCO's assist commandant in training





One of the benefits of the Military Institute rating are the Army N.C.O.s. The members of the Military Cadre teach military classes and supervise the Cadet officers.

5.F.C. Nelson Eanes is assistant property custodian. He supervises the operation of the Supply and Ordnance depts., and also operates the book store and coaches the Rifle Team.

S.F.C. Clyde Wheeler is assigned as a tactical N.C.O. to various companies, and supervises the Military Affairs and Plans and Training sections of the Staff.

5. Sgt. Larry Strain supervises the Personnel and Adjutant sections of the staff. He is also assigned to various companies as a tactical N.C.O.



NCO's engaged in operational activities: Sgt. Nelson Eanes (above left), Sgt. Clyde Wheeler (above), Sgt. Larry Strain (left)

Congenial three supply restoration of energy

Feeding a troop of 367 hungry Cadets was a challenge met this year by Mrs. Marcella Welsh, assisted by Mrs. Mary Hale and Mrs. Ethel Ross Thanks to these women and the ladies who volunteered their services, the students were provided with a tasty lunch every day. This year saw the continuance of the Hamburgers-on-Monday tradition, although spaghetti was usually not served on the days we wore whites.



Mrs. Welsh (above) prepares for students daily lunch. Mary (upper right) mixes ingredients of nourishment as Ethel (right) rids the kitchen of unwanted debris









Clean walls, halls — mysterious daily miracle

The fact that the school building survived the year with little damage was due to the efforts of Mr. Edward Jones. His many duties extended from keeping the furnace running to replacing lights and cleaning St. Benedict's statue.

Although unnoticed by many students, a daily miracle occured at Benedictine: all the trash disappeared from the halls every evening. The worker of this miracle, John Hill, worked every night after the students had left.

Mr. Jones (top) tightens washer on Physics lab water tap. Mr. Hill (left) nightly miracle worker sweeps out classroom





Graduates grow - from







We receive from what we give; we have so much more to give now



searching to finding, becoming to being



Four years. Of work, of fun. Four years of trial and error. Of searching and finding. Never to return. Never to be relived. It's over now. And again we are alone. Alone, to face our next challenge, but not unprepared. We go, equipped with four years Moulded, to cope with new trials, new searches, more work, and more giving. We have so much more to give now

Through the years we have grown. In body, mind, and spirit. We have made ourselves a part of Benedictine, and Benedictine a part of ourselves.

The end of a beginning. Where we opened our eyes, and were shown the way to go. At first, we crawled. Now, we walk.

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JOHN R. CARLSON . . . Pvt. . . . Cadet Chorus 1, 2 . . . Company Drill 1 . . . Platoon Drill 2.

JOHN B. CATES . . . Pvt. . . . Track 3, 4 . . . Football 4 . . . F.C.A. 3, 4 . . . Dance Committee 4 . . . Monogram Club 4 . . . Weight Lifting Club 2 . . . Junior Civitan Club 3, 4.

ROBERT W. CHIOCCA . . . Major . . . Supply . . . J.V. Baseball 1, 2 . . . Disassembly Drill Winner 3 . . . Red Cross 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . St. Berchman Society 2, 3, 4 Cross Country 3 . . . Honor Roll . . . F.C.A. 3, 4.



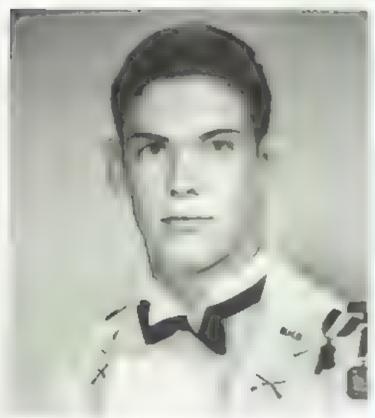






S.H.T.R. draws on Crostic's talent

WILLIAM P. COOKSEY JR . . . Second Lieutenant . . . Red Cross 2, 3, 4 . . . N.C.C.J. 2 . . . Track 1, 2 . . . Cross Country 1, 2 . . . Band 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . German Club 3 . . . Good Conduct . . . Cadet Chorus 3, 4 . . . Honor Roll . . .



JOHN B. CROSTIC JR. . . . Lt. Colonel . . . Battalion Executive Officer . . . Boys State 3 . . . German Club 3, 4 . . . National Honor Society 3, 4 . . . Honor Roll I, 2, 3, 4 . . . Football 2, 3 . . . Baseball 1 . . . Track 2 . . . Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . CADET Staff 4 . . . Layout Editor . . . Underclassmen Play 3 . . . Senior Class Play 4 . . . Stage Crew 3 . . . Weight Lifting Club 2 . . . Student Council 4 . . . F.C.A. 2, 3 . . . P.T.A. Award 3 . . . Orientation Committee 4 . . . Honor Court 4 . . . Military Court . . . Manual of Arms Finalist 1 . . . St. John Berchman Society 2, 3, 4.



PHILIP B. CUNNEFF... Second Lieutenant... National Honor Society 3, 4... High School Bowl 3... Board of Directors-Richmond Chapter, American Red Cross... Vice President, Richmond Council, Red Cross Youth... Benedictine Chapter Co-Chairman, Red Cross Youth... Youth Board of Directors, Richmond Area Tuberculosis Assoc... St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4... Richmond Catholic Forensic League... Representative F.D.R. Chapter, Teen Democrats... Cadet Chorus 4... Senior Play... Drill Team...

Dorr initiates job as M.I.P-R

JOEL DENTON JR. . . . Rifle Team 2, 3, 4 . . . Co-Captain Rifle Team 4 . . . Monogram Club 4 . . . Transfer Student 2 . . . Georgetown Drill 3 . . . Good Conduct 2, 3, 4 . . . Platoon Drill Winner 3 . . . Company Drill Winner 3 . . . 2nd Place Trophy, Eastern Virginia Rifle League 3 . . . Executive Officer, A Co.



GEORGE R. DOANE
JR . . . Junior
Achievement 4 . . .
2nd Lieutenant, H.P.

VICTOR O'G DORR JR... National Honor Society 3, 4... CHEVRON Sports Editor 3... CADET Copy Editor 4... Quill and Scroll 3, 4... SIPA Delegate 3... Cross Country 3, 4... Richmond News Leader Youth Reporter 3... FCA 2, 3, 4... Track 2, 4... St. John Berchman Society 1, 4. Honor Roll 1, 2, 3... Military Court 4... Major-Personnel Section.

DAVIS W. DURRETT . . . Good Conduct 3 . . . Choral Society 2, 4 . . . Honor Roll 3 . . . Georgetown Drill 3 . . . Ist Lieutanant, H.P.













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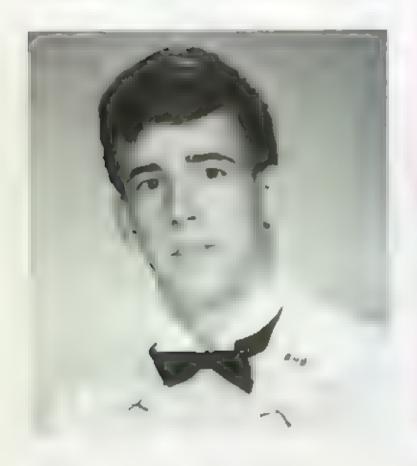
MICHAEL D. EMORY . . . Second Lieutenant

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F. MARION FOX . . . First Lieutenant . . . Rifle Team . . . Dance Committee 1, 2, 3, Co-Chairman 4 . . . Track 1, 2 . . . Cross Country 1, 2 . . . Underclassmen Play 3 . . . Senior Class Play . . . Rifle Disassembly Winner 3 . . . CADET staff . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3 . . . Choral Society . . . Monogram Club . . . F.C.A.







Outstanding teenager of America

S. LEE GIBBS . . . First Lieutenant . . . Track 1, 2 . . . Cross Country 1 . . . Football 2, 3 . . . Golf 2, 3 . . . F.C.A. 1, 2, 3, 4

JAMES H. GREGORY ... Second Lieutenant . . . Cadet Chorus 3, 4 . . . Junior Achievement . . . Band 1, 2, 3 . . . St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4

JOHN M. GUIDERA JR. . . . Private . . . Transfer Student 3 . . . Football 3 . . . Stage Crew 3, 4 . . . Underclassmen Play 3 . . . Senior Play 3, 4 . . . Senior Drill Team

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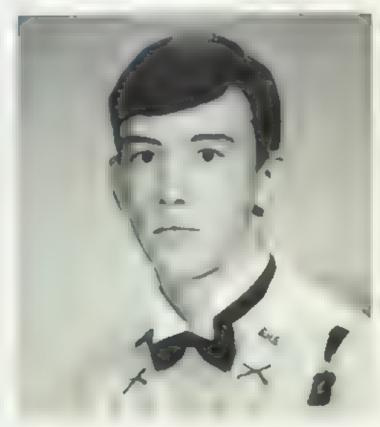
ROBERT R. HAGAN JR. . . . Captain Headquarters Co. . . . National Honor Society 3 Chairman 4 . . . Presidential Classroom for Young Americans 4 . . . Boys State 3 . . . Senior Class Vice-President . . . Student Council 3, 4 . . . Military Court . . . Conference on Religion and Human Values . . . Superior Junior Cadet . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3 . . . CADET staff . . . National Latin Exam (Summa Cum Laude) . . . V. Mgr. Basketball 2, 3, 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Monogram Club 1, 2, 3 . . . F.C.A. . . . Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Dance Committee 3, 4 . . . Outstanding Teenagers of America.



WILLIAM C. HANKY JR. . . . Private . . . CHEV-RON staff artist 2, 3 . . . Senior Drill Team



EDWARD D. HOBCROFT JR. . . . Private . . . Cadet Chorus 3, 4 . . . St. John Birchman Society 1 . . . J.V. Track . . . Senior Drill Team.





Huddleston displays dance trophy

WALTER T. HUBER. Transfer Student 2
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and Varsity Baseball 2.3. I.V. and Virsity Extent
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PHILLIP'S HUDDLESTON JV and Varsity Football 2, 3, 4 Track 2, 3, 4 Monogram Club 2, 3, 4 Junior Achievement 3 German Club 3 4

FCA 2 3, 4 Intramurals 2 3, 4 Dance Committee 4 St John Berchman Society 2 4

Transfer Student 2 Lieutenant



DAVID C HURDLE 1V and Varsity Football 1

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- 1. Baseball 1 FCA 3 Monogram Club 2, 3, 4

Lieutenant







Jennings sparks senior play I

HAYWOOD B. HYMAN . . . Good Conduct 3 . . . Choral Society 2, 4 . . . CADET Staff 4 . . . Monogram Club 3, 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 2, 4 . . . FCA 2, 3, 4 . . . FCA President 4 . . . Junior Civitan Club — Sgt. at Arms 4 . . . J.V. and Varsity Football 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Lieutenant.

DENNIS J. JAKVIS . . . Varsity Football 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Varsity Track 1, 2, 3 . . . Junior Civitan Club 4 . . . Senior Drill Team . . . Pvt.

GRAHAM T. JENNINGS . . . Rifle Team 3, 4 . . . CHEVRON Staff 3 . . . CADET Staff 4 . . . Junior Achievement 3 . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Senior Class Play . . . Military Court . . . Major — Fiscal . . . Honor Roll . . . Monogram Club.

Kastelberg dresses before dance

GERARD V. JOHNSON . . . First Lieutenant . . . Football 1 . . . Track 1 . . . Choral Society 2 . . . St. John Birchman Society 1, 2 . . . Company Drill 3 . . . Platoon Drill 3 . . . Georgetown Drill 3.

BRUCE W. JONES... First Lieutenant... F.C.A. 3, 4... Transfer Student 3... Monogram Club 3, 4... Junior Achievement 3, 4... Track 3.

AMEN S. KAHWAJY ... Second Lieutenant ...

Junior Civitan Club 3, 4 ... Sports Manager 2

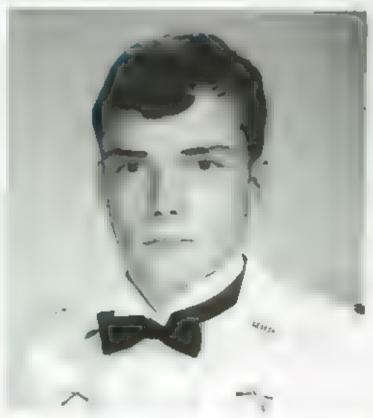
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... Debate Team 2, 3, 4 ... Speech Team 2, 3, 4

... F.D.R. Teen Democrats ... Good Conduct 1, 2, 3

... Choral Society ... St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4 ... Junior Board of Directors, Richmond Area Tuberculosis Association ... Platoon Drill













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WILLIAM F. KASTELBERG IV... Varsity Football 2, 3, 4... Track 1, 2, 3... Junior Civitan Club 4... St. John Berchman Society 4... FCA 1, 2, 3, 4... Military Court... Monogram Club 2, 3, 4... Dance Committee 4... Weightlifting Club 2... CADET Staff 4... Choral Society 4... Honor Roll 1... Major — Adjutant.

RICHARD L. KEENAN... Major — Military Affairs
... Good Conduct 1, 2 ... Squad Drill Winner 2
... Rifle Team 2 ... Military Court ... St. John
Berchman Society 2, 4 ... NCCJ 3, 4 ... Human
Relations Institute Delegate ... Junior Achievement 3
... Track 1, 2, 3, 4 ... Cross Country 2, 3 ...
Monogram Club 2, 3, 4 ... National Honor Society 3,
4 ... Boy's State Representative 4 ... Honor Roll 1,
2, 3, 4 ... United Nations Achievement Award ...
Religion Award ... Harvard Book Prize ... National
Merit Letter of Commendation.

ROBERT P. KEENAN . . . Varsity Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . V. Basketball Mgr . . . Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . FCA 2, 3, 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 2, 4 . . . CHEVRON Staff 3 . . . Major — Ordnance . . . National



Honor Society 3, 4... NCCJ 1, 2, 3, 4... Honor Roll 1, 2, 3... Human Relations Institute Delegate 3... Military Court 4... Good Conduct 1, 2, 3... Squad Drill Winner 2.

BERNARD C. KRAMER III... J.V. and Varsity Football ... J.V. Basketball 1, 2... Track 1, 2, 3... FCA 1, 2, 3... Pvt.

Skits add color, life, to pep rallies

LAURENCE A. LAFRATTA . . . Cadet Band 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Intramurals 2, 3, 4 . . . Outstanding Cadet in Band (Junior) . . . Choral Society 2 . . . Honor Roll 1, 2, 3 . . . Executive Officer, Band.

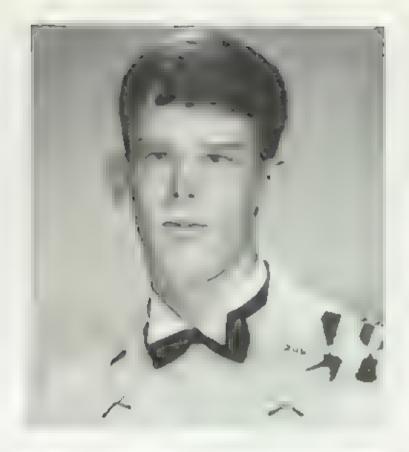
GARY S. LESTER . . . Lieutenant . . . Varsity Baseball Manager 3 . . . Monogram Club 3, 4 . . . Latin Test — Magna Cum Laude Award 3.

ADRIAN F. LORD . . . PVT . . . Transfer Student 1 . . . Company Drill Winner 1, 2.













Lucas inspires council progress

VINCENT E. LOWERY . . . Captain E Co. . . . Outstanding Teenagers of America . . . Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3 . . . Rifle Team 2 . . . Monogram Club 2, 3, 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . F.C.A. 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . German Club 3, 4 . . . Track 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Cross Country 1, 2, 3 . . . Manual of Arms Drill Finalist 3 . . . High School Bowl 3 . . . Underclassmen Play 3 . . . CADET staff . . . CHEVRON reporter 1, 2, 3 . . . National Honor Society 3, 4 . . . Military Court . . . Choral Society 2.

JAMES W. LUCAS... Captain B Co... Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4, President 4... Junior Class Vice-President... St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4... F.C.A. 1, 2, 3... Monogram Club... Junior Civitan Club 4... Football 1, 2, 3... Track 1... Tennis 2... Dance Committee 4... B-Teen Committee 4.

PAUL J. MARDIGIAN... First Lieutenant... Junior Achievement 3... Cross Country 2... Outstanding Junior in Honor Platoon... N.C.C.J. 3... Junior Civitan Club 3, 4.

Pat Martin wards off evil spirits

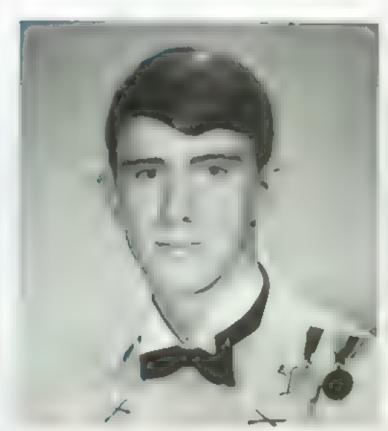
PATRICK G. MARTIN . . . Private . . . Basketball 1, 2 . . . Football 1 . . . Intramurals . . . Senior Drill Team . . . Dance Committee 4.

HUGH C. McCREA JR. . . . Private . . . Transfer Student 2 . . . Basketball 2 . . . Baseball 2 . . . Junior Achievement 4 . . . Dance Committee.

KEVIN J. McKINNEY . . . Private . . . Track 1 . . . St. John Berchman Society 4 . . . N.C.C.J. 3 . . . Junior Achievement 3 . . . Dance Committee 4 . . . Cadet Chorus.







Miller's "courage" makes senior play

FRANKLIN L. MERGLER JR. . . . First Lieutenant . . . Transfer Student 3 . . . Georgetown Drill . . . Track . . . Good Conduct.

THOMAS A. MEYERS . . . Second Lieutenant . . . Cross Country 4 . . . Junior Achievement 3, 4 . . . German Club 2, 4 . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3 . . . Honor Roil 2 . . . Intramurals . . . Monogram Club.

CHARLES E. MILLER JR. . . . First Lieutenant . . . Band 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Junior Achievement 3, 4 . . . Junior Civitan Club 3, 4 . . . Red Cross 3 . . . Cadet Chorus 3, 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 4 . . . Dance Committee 4 . . . Tennis 2 . . . Intramurals . . . Senior Class Play.







Nissley's zeal insures quality cadet

MICHAEL F. MUSE... Second Lieutenant... Football Manager 2, 3, 4... Track Manager... Monogram Club... Good Conduct.



JOHN J. NADDER
JR. . . . Second Lieutenant . . . Cross
Country 4 . . . Good
Conduct

THOMAS M. MURPHY . . . First Lieutenant . . . Baseball 1, 2 . . . Company Drill 3 . . . Intramurals.

P. ANTHONY NISSLEY . . . First Lieutenant . . . CHEVRON staff 1, 2, 3, Editor 3 . . . CADET Editor in Chief . . . Youth Page Reporter for NEWS LEADER 4 . . . S.I.P.A. 2, 3 . . . F.C.A. 2, 3, 4 . . . Quill and Scroll 3, 4 . . . Summer Workshop at Catholic University 2 . . . Junior Civitan Club 3, 4 Vice-President 3, President 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Dance Committee 4 . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3 . . . National Latin Test 3 . . . Intramurals , . . Variety Show 2.











Michael Muse silently aids fb team

PATRICK I NOUNEY Second Leutenant
Debate Team 2 3 4 High School Red Cross 3 4
An erican Tuberculosis A sociation 3 4
Speech Team 4

RICHARD M. NORTHUR. First Lieutena t.
Football t. 2. 4. Ferri s. 1. 2. 3. 4. Underclass men. Play. 3. Sellar Class. Play. Class. Vice-President 1. 2. Manual of Arms Dr. 1. E. alist. 2. 3. Platoon Dr. II. 1. Monogram Chio. F.C.A. Honor Ro. 1. 2, 3. Squad Dr. II. 2. Good Conduct.

STEPHEN M. OSWALD JK. I. I rst. Leutenant.
Basketball 1. 2. Henor Roll 1. 2. 4. Good Condact 1. Junior Civitan C. do 3. 4. F. CA. St.
John Berchman Sc. etv. 1. 2. 3. 4. Squad. Drill Winner 2. Superior Sephomore Cadet. Variety. Show.



ALA.



Powers guides "A" Co. to maturity

RICHARD H. PACE . . . Private . . . Band 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Choral Society

RICHARD M. PEEK . . . Second Lieutenant . . . Monogram Club 1 . . . Junior Civitan Club 3 . . . F.C.A. 2, 3 . . . Sports Manager 1 . . . Choral Society 2 . . . Honor Roll 1, 2, 3 . . . National Latin Test (Cum Laude) . . . CHEVRON Reporter . . . Platoon Drill 2 . . . Intramurals . . . Good Conduct . . . Company Drill 1.

KERRY E. POWERS . . . Captain A Co. . . . Football 3, 4 . . . Track 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Cross Country 2 . . . German Club 3, 4, President 4 . . . Monogram Club . . . F.C.A. . . . St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . National Honor Society 3, 4, Vice-Chairman 4 . . . Boys State Alternate 3 . . . Secretary-Treasurer Junior and Senior Classes . . . Dance Committee 4 . . . Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Military Court . . . Choral Society 2 . . . National Latin Test (Magna Cum Laude) 3 . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3 . . . Intramurals.



Redmond – most improved player

JOHN R. REDMOND . . . Captain Band . . . Football 1 . . . Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Junior Achievement . . . Monogram Club . . . St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Dance Committee 4 . . . Cadet Chorus 3, 4 . . . F.C.A. 2, 3, 4 . . . M J P Player — Baseball 3 . . . Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

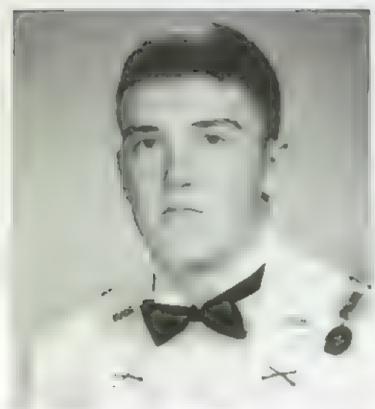


SPENCER V. RICE IV . . . Second Lieutenant . . . Golf 1, 2, 4 . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3 . . . Stage Crew 3.



HENRY R. RILEY . , . Private . . . Football 1, 2 . . . Track . . . Red Cross.







Ross and Shaw exhibit teamwork:

J. STEPHEN ROBERTS . . . 1st Lieutenant . . . Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Junior Achievement 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 4 . . . J.V. Football 3 . . . FCA 3 . . . Good Conduct 1.

DONALD S. ROSS . . . J.V. and Varsity Baseball . . . J.V. and Varsity Basketball . . . J.V. and Varsity Football . . . Football Co-Captain 4 . . . FCA . . . Monogram Club 2, 3, 4 . . . Choral Society 4 . . . Honor Roll . . . PVT.

LIONEL SHAW JR...J.V. and Varsity Football...

J.V. Baseball... Varsity Track 3, 4..., FCA 2, 3, 4
... Monogram Club 2, 3, 4... 1st Lieutenant.

Shepherd demonstrates artistic skills

FRANCIS D. 5HEPHERD . . . J.V. Football 1, 2 . . . Varsity Football 4 . . . Track 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . German Club 3, 4 . . . Honor Roll 1, 2 . . . St. John Berchman Society 4 . . . Chairman Dance Committee . . . Monogram Club . . . FCA . . . Finalist Manual of Arms Drill . . . Underclassman Play 3 . . . Choral Society 4 . . . Good Conduct 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . CADET Staff 4 . . . CHEVRON Staff 3 . . . Military Court . . . Captain — D Company

EDWARD M. SHIBLEY..., J.V. and Varsity Football
... J.V. and Varsity Track... Weightlifting Club
... FCA... Monogram Club... Good Conduct
... Altar Boy Society... Honor Roll... Lieutenant.

DAVID J. SHINHOLSER . . . PVT . . . J.V. Football 1 . . . Red Cross Member.







Snyder's success prompted by Solari

R WAYNE SNELLINGS Private Civitan Club 3-4 St. John Berchman Society 1-2-3-4 Batta ion Organ st. 1-2-3-4 Cadet Choras 2-3, 4 Senior Class Play CADET Staff Good Conduct 2-3

STEPHEN I SNYDER Major Plans and Training
Leadership Course 4 Rifle Team 2, 3.4 High
Average 3 Eastern Val League Trophy Winner 3. NRA
Ail League Team Member 3. NRA Expert
Qualification 3.4 Captain 4. CHEVRON Staff 3.
CADET Staff Military Court Choral Society 2. Dance Committee 4. Sen or Class Play
National Honor Society 3, 4. Junior Achieve
ment 3. Monogram Club 3.4. Good Conduct
2.3, 4. Playwrite

DAVID L SOLARI Colonel Battation Commander Red Cross 2 3 4 Cc Chairman 2 3 German Club 3 4, Secretary 3 ht John Berchman Society 1, 2 3 4 CHEVRON Staff 2 3 CADET Staff High School Bowl 3 National Honor Society 3, 4 Secretary 4 SIPA 2 Stage Crew 3 Junior Civitan Club Chaplain 3 4 Quill and Scrol. Student Council 4 Or. entation Committee 4 Honor Roll 1, 2-3-4 Military Court Junior Resgion Award Superfor Freshman Cadet - Outstanding Sophomore and NCC123 Dance Committee Junior Cadet 4 Boys State Alternate 3 NMSQT Letter of Commendation National Latin Test (Magna Cum laude) Outstanding Teenagers of America









Snellings accompanies student mass

JAMES W. SPENCER . . . FCA 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Monogram Club 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Cross Country 2, 3, 4 . . . Track 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Cross Country Captain 3, 4 . . . Junior Achievement 4 . . . Lieutenant.



JOHN M. STONE . . . Lieutenant . . . Choral Society 2 . . . Honor Roll . . . Good Conduct . . . FCA . . . Squad Drill Winner 2 . . . J.V. Basketbail 2 . . . German Club 3, 4 . . . National Honor Society 3, 4.



EDWARD J. SZCZEBAK JR... Lieutenant... German Club 3, 4... National Honor Society 3, 4... Monogram Club 3, 4... Football Manager 3, 4... Track.

Tichacek excels in offensive line

A. RALPH TEMPLE JR... Private ... Cross Country 3... Track 3... High School Red Cross 4... St. John Berchman Society 4.

THOMAS A. TICHACEK . . . Captain, Honor Platoon . . . Football J.V. and Varsity . . . Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Basketball 1, 2 . . . Monogram Club . . . Leadership Course 4 . . . Dance Committee 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . Good Conduct.

HARRY W. TINSLEY JR. . . . Private . . . Football 1 . . . Baseball 1, 2 . . . Tennis 3, 4 . . . St. John Berchman Society 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . F.C.A. 2, 3, 4 . . . Track 3 . . . Junior Achievement.







Toney makes use of library fare

JON M. TOBIN . . . PVT . . . Cadet Band 4 . . . Track 1 . . . Football Manager I, 2, 3 . . . FCA . . . Junior Achievement . . . St. John Berchman Society 4 . . . Monogram Club . . . Dance Committee . . . Choral Society 4 . . . Intramurals.

GARLAND E. TONEY JR , . . Lieutenant . . . German Club . . . Transfer Student 2 . . . Platoon Drill Winner 2.

JESSE H. WADE . . . Lieutenant . . . Cadet Band . Transfer Student 3 . . . High School Red Cross.







Wiltshire keeps class spirit high

O RED W WALLMEYER To the Officer.

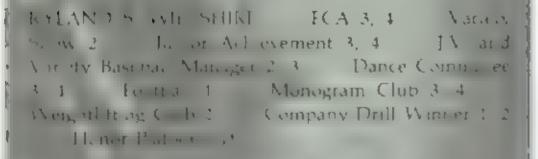
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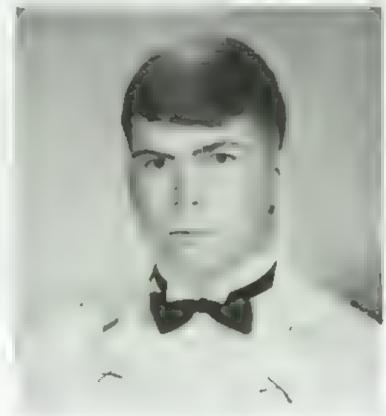
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Yates backs up Cates in MA Drill

CHARLES I WOODROHE IX PVI Intramora s 1 2 3 4 IV Forbar I IV Basebali



TAMES F YATES First Lieutenant JV and Varsity Footbal 2-3-4 Junior A hevement 4 St John Berchman Society 4 FCA 4 Manual of Arms Fina ist 3



KICHARD O YATES IR — Lanor A hievement IV Football — IV basebal — Choral Socety 4 — Honor Phrson — PV I





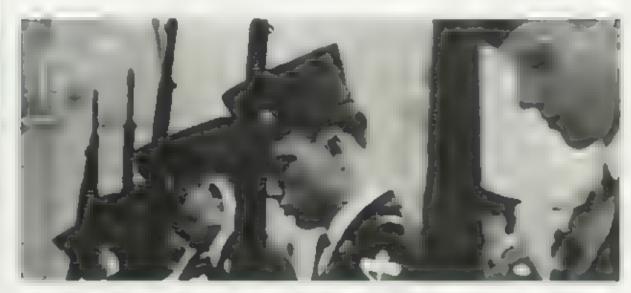
Drills, dances - festive







Sharing joy, disappointment; parts of every cadet's life



occasions highlight 1969-70 social year



The whole is made up of many parts Just as we work, so must we enjoy. Each equally important. Our work is made up of school, military, organizations and teams Our relaxation includes dances, drills, and military balls.

Books and classes are forgotten. The moment is supreme. Whether watching or participating, we are included in the Spirit. To see part of yourself competing, to aid with Hope. Finally, to watch and share the joy of winning, and the disappointment of losing.

To stand with someone on the dance floor and be completely alone, surrounded by people.



The kiss has been exchanged, the Queens have



Standing, waiting, waiting, "God it's hot, when is She coming?" Standing, waiting, waiting

They appear, one by one, Emerging into the clearing, To be seen by all, to be Judged by all.

The officers standing as if Monarchs waiting for their queens. And taking their hands as each One is presented.

"Pin on the flowers! Pin on the flowers!"
Now the monarchs are reduced to humble
Serfs by the small, shiny object
Which can be fumbled so easily

At last! At last! The flowers and insignia are on,
The kiss has been exchanged,
And the queens have been presented to the corps.
Can it be over already?



been judged by all

Miss Jeannie Mason, (below, left) sponsor of Captain Kerry Powers of A Company, concentrates on keeping in step with 1st Sergeant Judson Anderson as she enters the gym. Honor Platoon, Band, and Battalion Sponsors (above, left) mirror tension and gleeful apprehension as they await their presentation to the assembled Cadet Corps on Sponsors' Day. Cadets and faculty (above) observe with mixed emotions and expressions as the day's activities draw to a finish. The day's festivities are initiated by Colonels David Solari and John Crostic as a heavy downpour forces the ceremony into the Gymnasium





Batta ion Executive Officer, Col. John Crostic, and Sponsor. Jamine Dedon (left) share secret during Senior dance. Col. David Solari and Battalion Sponsor. Mary Anna Booker (Below Left), reach conclusion of Grand March. Seniors en oy first dance as officers (Below Right). Mrs. Victor Dorr and son (Bottom), continue Sponsor's Dance tradition. Sponsor's Ceci ia Atright, and Joan Ward. Page Right) prepare to pass through reception line with officers Capt. James Lucas. Capt. Burt. Boehling.

Wild and Wonderful provides









tempo, mood and theme for Sponsor's Dance



Above: (Standing) Colonel David L. Solari and Miss Mary Anna Booker. (Seated) Lt. Colonel John Crostic and Miss Janine Dedon

Inspiration provided by

Our year as Sponsoring Officers and Sponsors has been an honor and experience never to be forgotten. With dignity and pride, we have led the Corps to its finest year.

Our year has passed. It was only yesterday, or was it years ago, that it began. As we reflect, memories pass in review. It began on October 2, 1969, as a deluge forced Sponsors' Day into the gym. Next came the soft lights and roses of the Sponsors' Dance. We remember, laughingly now, the endless march of the Tobacco Parade; a Corps stretching the length of Parker Field. Sponsors' Dinner, plaques, drills, I.G., all came and went.

Then it was Military Graduation again; the end of an all-too-short year. In triumph and sorrow we received diplomas and favors. Now it was time to pass the reins of leadership to new and eager hands. Suddenly, we realized that it had ended, and we must begin again.



Above Captain Jack Redmond — Band and Miss Michele Young, Captain James Lucas BiCo and Miss Cecella Arright, Captain Burt Boehling — C.Co. — and Miss Joan Ward,

Major Victor Dorr - 5-5 - and Miss Beth Kienlen, Major Graham Jennings | Fiscal - and Miss Saily Marks

sponsors from St. Gertrude's, Marymount



Above Captain Kerry Powers - A Co - and Miss Jeanne Mason, Major Richard Keenan - 5-2 - and Miss Michele Roche, Captain Vince Lowery - E Co. - and Miss Cecelia

Biley Maior Wi iam Kastelberg – 5-1 – and Miss Rosie Bliev Captain Francis Shepherd D Co and Miss Elaine Caravati



Above Major Robert Keenan — Ordnance — and Miss Suzie Chester, Major Robert Chiocca — S-4 and Miss Marie Jiminez, Major Steve Snyder — S-3 — and Miss Marcia

McReyno ds Lieutenant Day's Durrett - HP and Miss leanne Kline Captain Robert Hagan - HQ - and Miss Nancy Gibbons.



John Baird, a sophomore, won this year's Manual of Arms for C Co. Reid Kelly of D. Co. took second place while Paul Nisley, also a sophomore, won third place for the second year in a row.

John Cates and Richard Yates, two seniors from C Co., took first place honors in the Rifle

Disassembly

There was a slight change in the drill procedure which involved the number of finalists. As in past years the finalists were chosen from the two groups of semi finalists. Then the twelve finalists were drilled until there were only six remaining. These six were then drilled but were not eliminated. Another change came in the judging of the final six in that they were judged on the appearance of their brass, shoes, and haircut as well as in Manual of Arms. After the judging was completed, the first, second, and third places were chosen from the finalists thus finishing the drill.

A Co.'s plaque, which was designed by its sponsor, Jeanne Mason, received the first place award as the Honor Platoon's display placed sec-

ond

Proud winner, Baird (Above), accepts trophy. Final elimination (Below left) is a tense moment for all Cadets. Disassembly winners Cates and Yates (Below) shake hands with Fr. Adrian Ltc Caine

Baird, Kelly, Nissley take







the predictions of the state of

A Company wins plaque,
C Co. sweeps MA
Drill,
Rifle Disassembly event

drill, Cates, Yates capture disassembly



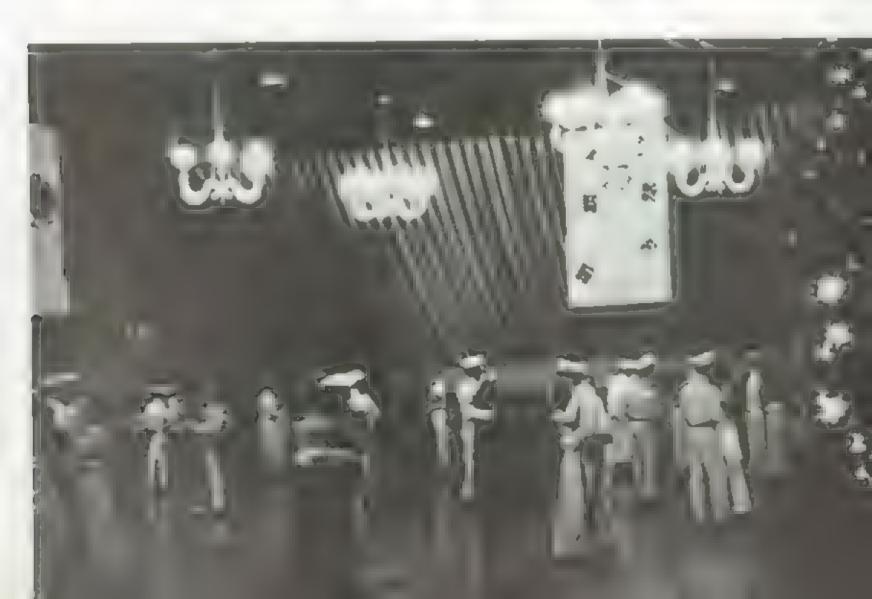






Seniors the awaren as a well to erved rest from exams at Christmas Danie. Find Hild disestor. Ann Marie Broiks Barbara Helzgrete taskater compare Christmas bouquets. Richard Keenan, Sally Marks (right, en oviquet moment during Christmas Danie).

Tree, chandeliers, soft lighting, provide





To dream, alone
To know what might have been
And then to stand
on the threshold of that dream
With another, sharing,
Warm colours flowing,
Distand trumpets calling,
A mystical, entrancing melody
Ancient in its tune
Bringing together

Each night has its always,
A look down life's hallways, doorways,
To lead us there
Tonight we'll find a dance to light our minds
And see where we have been,
We'll ride along the winds of time
To the threshold of a dream

To be alone,
Together
With people all around.
This is in itself the pleasure,
To know that our giving, without measure,
Gives in return, a wonderous yearn
Of a promise, almost seen
We'll touch the stars,
With our hand
We'll find our place in that dream
Together, alone

setting for yule dance

Fony Nissley, Marion Fox (right) lead Corps in Grand March. Vic Dorr (above) displays confident look before Christmas Dance







Upper Left: Sergeant Lochr under goes rigid inspection prior to Squad Drill. Above: A triumphant Sgt. Landmaintains composure despite Drill runoff. Lower left Cunneff and Honor Platoon shine during blackout drill

Lane breaks tie, captures squad drill honors



Among a field of ten well prepared squads only one could emerge victorious — and this one was the first squad of the second platoon of B Company, commanded by Sgt. Robert Lane.

A proof that the competition was well balanced came with the first place the between Sgt Lane and Sgt Grappone. In order to break the tie the judges gave both squad leaders a card containing five commands. They then began to familiarize themselves with the commands prior to the runoff. After it was all over, Sgt. Grappone of E Co. placed second, and Sgt. Oley of C Co. was third.

At the intermission, the Honor Platoon performed the unusual and difficult black out drill. Then came the judging of the company plaques. The best plaque of the evening belonged to the Honor Platoon with A Co. placing second and Headquarters third

This year the squads could not be altered in any way, which to the viewer, made this squad drill very interesting.

Shaw wins platoon drill; Gibbs is runner-up

For the second year in a row E Co. won top honors in the Platoon Drill. The winning platoon was led by Lt. Lionel Shaw and Lt. Mike Emory. The first platoon of D Co. commanded by Lt. Lee Gibbs captured second place while Lt. Steve Roberts and the first platoon of C Co. was third.

To save time the platoons were inspected prior to their entrance onto the floor. To begin the drill the first platoons of the five companies were drilled in competition. After intermission the second platoons were put through the competition.

The drill was started by a rising song of "Dixie" played by the Band. The Honor Platoon added excitment to the evening with their black out drill at intermission. First, second, and third, in the plaque competition was won by D Co., Headquarters and B Co. respectively.

None of the platoons had a great deal of time to practice, but the general performance of every

platoon was highly favorable.



(Right): Capt. Vince Lowery and sponsor Cee Cee Buley congratulate victorious Lionel Shaw. (Below): Lt. Lee Gibbs faces judge prior to drilling his platoon



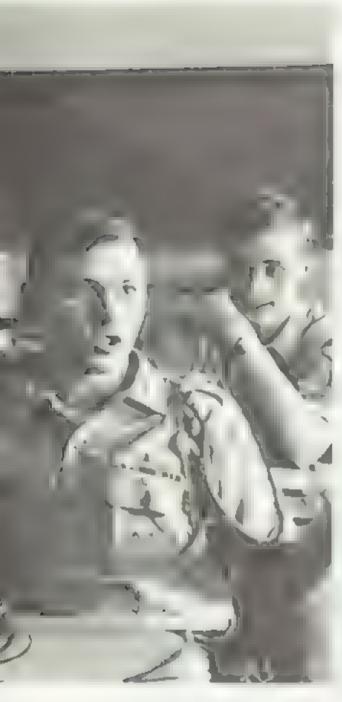




Student activities create







We can improve ourselves; but only when we contribute



opportunities for personal involvement



Involvement. To do. Give. We all need to contribute. We can improve. To lead an organization, or to follow as best we can. All of this gives to us, as we give. We need only to make the choice, and then the perseverance to follow through, to become more than we are.

Only when we contribute are we able to see that we have Value, that we are some-body. We find that our ideas are worthwhile, that we can express ourselves and put a little bit of ourselves into something It's so easy to be a somebody. We have only to realize that we are, and then do something about it.

National honor society becomes highest goal



Above Senior NHS members 1st row Jennings Crostic Keenan ko Szczebak Oswald Dorr Lester 2nd row Lafratra Chiocca, Keenan, Ri, Kahwajy, Durrett, Shibley, Lowery. 3rd row:

Snader Buehling Roberts, Shepherd Peek Northup Stone Below Surprise presa s as new members are tapped into Honor Society



Scholarship and involvement were the hall-marks of the St. Thomas More Chapter of the National Honor Society during the past year. With the largest membership in its history, the Society set standards of leadership and service for the entire student body.

Membership in the N.H.S. is highly selective and carries great prestige. To be considered for the National Honor Society, a student must have at least an eighty-five average. Other factors considered are demerits, extra-curricular activities, and perhaps most important, the student's concern about the school. If a student is judged above average in all categories, he is tapped for membership.

The Society was headed this year by Chairman Robert Hagan, Vice-Chairman Kerry Powers, and Secretary David Solari. One of the highlights of the year was the tapping held in early February. In this assembly twenty-six students were accepted into the N.H.S., raising membership to its highest level.

or scholastic leaders

Honor Society officers (Upper right), Kerry Powers – vice chairman, Robert Hagan – chairman, and David Solari – secretary. (Bottom), Junior members of Honor Society (Top row) McMahon, Urrutia, Smith, Lane (Bottom) Powers, Chancey, Huennekens, Gusich Guidera







Senior Class Leaders reflect maturity and confidence. Kern-Powers, Burt Boehling, Rob Hagan. (Above)

Junior Officers led their class to greater responsibility: Judson Anderson and Gary Powers. (Below) Missing: Robert Dreelin

Leadership, responsibility, maturity characterize

The spirit of each year's class is best demonstrated by the class officers. The class officers organize and supervise pep rallies, dances, and other school functions. They are the the mediators between faculty and students. They handle the financial problems of their class. They are the managers and controllers of the school's social 'happenings'

Tinted with responsibility, leadership, and maturity, the Senior Class officers, headed by Burtin Boehlin, and have sparked a new spirit into Benedictine's life, and have maintained that

spirit throughout the year

The Junior Class officers sought many goals during the school year, all of them were successful. Among these were the Junior Ring Dance, the setting up of the school's Christmas tree, and the organization of the Fall and Spring games.

The Sophomore Class has shown the effects of their year at Benedictine. They have confidently begun accepting new tasks of responsibility.

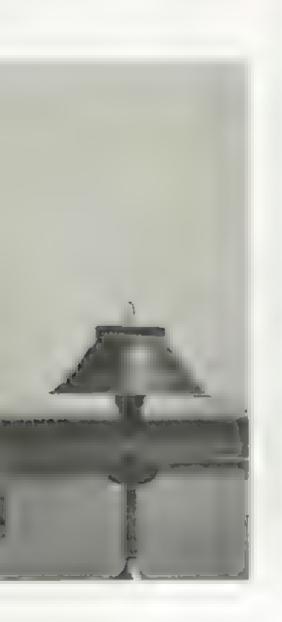
The Freshman Class has succeeded in conquering their year of harrassment by the Senior class.





Sophomore Class officers were bleve Bannon, Chris Oley, and Ricky Lrving (Left) Harried leaders of newest class: Dennis Dreelin. John Murphy, Thomas Ward (Below)

class officers







Military court enhances MI rating, enforces



Three permanent members of the Military Court (Left), J. Crostic, R. Kastelberg, secretary, and D Solari, president. The Captains of the Military Court (Right), V. Lowery, B. Boehling, K. Powers, R. Hagan, J. Lucas, S. Shepard, and J. Redmond

The Majors of Military Court (Left) Ro. Keenan, V. Dorr, S. Snyder, Rr. Keenan, R. Chiocca, and G. Jennings

Sponsoring officers,
commandant, continue
BHS trial procedure

Because Benedictine is a military school, the students are subject to special regulations which govern their conduct. These rules are enforced by the Military Court, which tried cases involving direct disrespect and disobedience, serious uniform violations, and other offences against the Benedictine Military Code.

The court is composed of all the Sponsoring Officers plus the Sergeant Major, who acts as Sergeant-at-Arms. The Battalion Commander, president of the Court, the Battalion Executive Officer, and the Battalion Adjutant are permanent members and are present at every trial. The rest of the officers serve in rotation, with eight or nine members present for each case. This past year, Pat Nooney served as permanent Trial Council

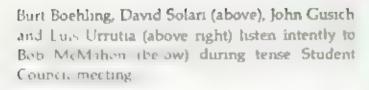
Trials were conducted according to Court Martial procedure. Sentences decided in court were not, however, final, and were subject to review by the Commandant before becoming effective.

uniform code, regulations



Student council upholds honor system, guides









students through activities

Perhaps the most important student organization in Benedictine is the Student Council. The Student Council gives the cadets the opportunity to participate, through their elected representatives, in the management of student affairs Membership consists of one elected representative from the Freshman class, two from the Sophomore, three from the Junior, four from the Senior, plus the Battalion Commander. Ltc. Caine, Commandant, is the moderator.

Under its president, Jimmy Lucas, the Student Council was very active during the past year. Activities such as the canned food drive and the field days were assigned as projects to the various classes. In accordance with the constitution, assemblies were held each semester to keep the student body informed on the work of the Student Council.

An important duty of the Council is upholding the honor System. With members sitting on a rotating basis, the Honor Court tried any cases involving lying, cheating, or stealing



Bob Hagan, John Grappone and Louis Kastelberg (above) give undivided attention to Student Council problems. Jim Lucas (below), S. C. President, exchanges comments with Bob Hagan





PTA lessens generation

Benedictine High School, like a great many other high schools in the Richmond area, has a very active Parent Teacher Association. The PTA at BHS is a member of the Richmond Federation, and it's work helps to better the understanding between the parents and the faculty.

The parents role in the PTA is to ask questions and offer advice and suggestions toward the improvement of Benedictine. Through the PTA the parents are also notified of the activities and programs of the Cadets. The PTA also conducts a number of worthy fund raising projects in the course of the year and supply volunteer members to assist in Cafeteria help in the Dramatic Department in make-up and costumes.

This year for the first time in the history of the Benedictine PTA a panel discussion entitled, "Youth Looks At Religion And Morals", was on the agenda for the January meeting along with a Student art exhibit. The panel consisted of three students from Benedictine and three from St. Gertrudes. The topics Pre-Martial Sex, Alcohol, and Student Rebellion were discussed by Steve Roberts, Gordon Chancey, and Vince Lowery respectively. From St. Gertrudes Cecilia Arrighi discussed Sex Education, Mary Fleming commented on Dope and Mary Jane Massad spoke on the Liturgical change. Each of the members on the panel gave a speech on their topic which was followed by questions from the audience. Due to the parents extreme interest in the viewpoints of the students this PTA meeting was a total suc-

With this in mind the Benedictine PTA performing its duties in the year 1969-70 has bettered the mechanics of B.H.S.

Panel members, Steve Roberts, Gorden Chancey, Mary Jane Massad, Cecilia Arrighi, Mary Fleming and Vince Lowery (top) listen to questions posed by the audience; Roberts (middle) aided by M.C. Steve Snyder, responds to Pre-Martial Sex reaction, Panelist from St. Gertrude await answer to S.D.S. question posed to Lowery (left)

ap by promoting unity between school, home



PT.A. president Joseph H. Smith, speaks to fathers and sons, while, Abbot Walter Coggin, Gorden Sutliff, Jim Lucas, and Fr. Adrian (top) look on. Joseph H. Smith (right) addresses routine P.T.A meeting. Faculty members Gerry Wyatt, George Campbell, Jay Zenner, and Richard Lyons (bottom) listen during PT.A meeting







Orientation committee helps freshmen adjust

(Above) Orientation Committee members David Solari, John Grappone, John Crostic, John Gusich, Burt Boehling, and Bill Boyle ponder progress of the Rat System

The change from grade school to high school is a difficult one for many freshmen to make. As an organization of the Student Council, the Orientation Committee works to lessen the impact of this change. The Committee is composed of one Student Council representative from each class, plus the Senior Class President and the Battalion Commander. The main activity of the Orientation Committee was the supervision of the Rat System, though which the freshmen adjusted to life at B.H.S

German club reviews german culture, history

Ideally, the study of a language involves more than the learning of grammar and pronunciation. At Benedictine, Deutscher Verein gives students an opportunity for a better understanding of the German language through the study of German language and culture

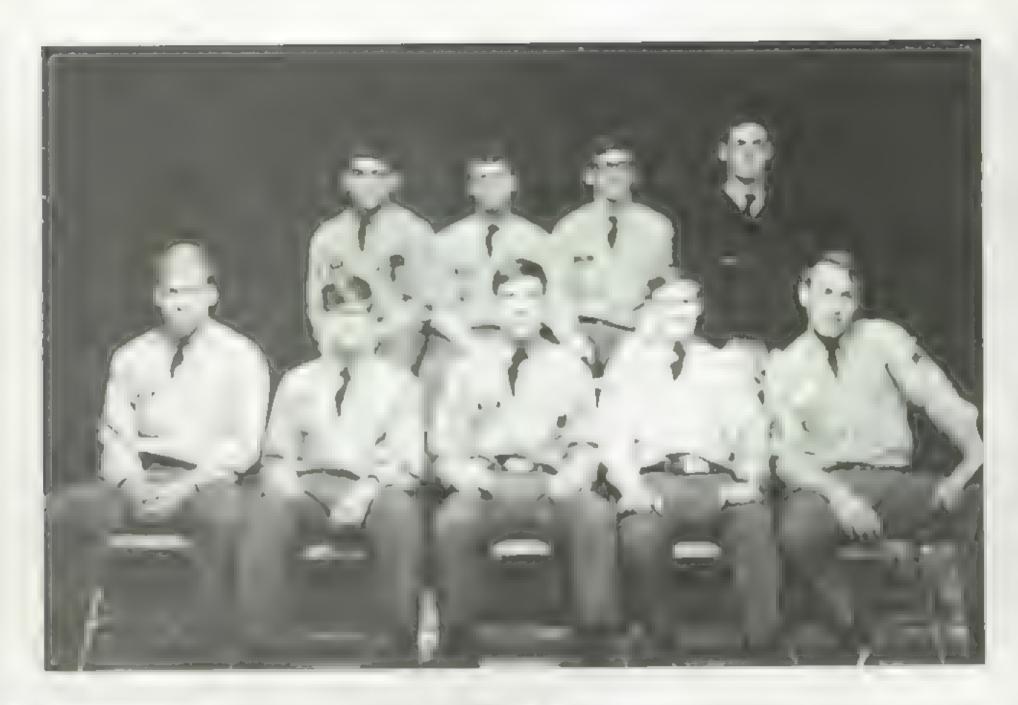
The Club was headed by German II students Kerry Powers, President, and John Crostic, Vice-President. Robert McMahon was elected from the German I class to serve as Secretary-Treasurer. The main activity of the Club this year was the viewing of films obtained from the German Embassy

German II students (above, right): Szczebak, Meyer (far row), Shepherd, Powers, Stone (third row), Tone; Lowery, Crostic (second row), Northup, Solari (first row)

German I (right): Chancey, Kelly, McLane, Rice, Street Cursey, Bragassa

(below, right) Bandrofchek, Kelley (far row), Downing, Lane, Campbell (third row), Poliquin, McGowan (second row), McMahon, Urrutia (first row)







(Above) The 1969-70 Dance Committee, (Top Row) Boehling, Shepherd, Lucas, Crostic (Second Row) Amrhein, Tobin, Redmond, Hagan, and Woolford (Left) A view of the Dance Committee outstanding scenery at the Christmas Dance

Imagination, dedication, long hours, sacrifice, become standards of BHS dance committee

(Below) The 1969-70 Dance Committee (Top Row) Pace Snyder, Fox, Miller, (Second Row) Solari, Wiltshire, Beckstoffer, Powers, Cooksey Every year the Dance Committee devotes much time and energy to the dances at Benedictine. This year was no different as the Dance Committee members worked hard to make formals and B-teens a success.

Musical groups are essential to a dance and this year the Dance Committee realized the need of music at dances. This year because of the different taste of the students, there was call for both soul and hard rock bands. This seemed to satisfy all the members of every class by providing dancing pleasure for everyone.

Of course decorations are necessary for successful dances and once again the decorations for the formals were superb. Again thanks to the imagination and determination of the Dance Committee. The Committee itself, was made up of special people. They were a few people working together tirelessly to achieve a common goal. That goal to produce a successful dance.

Hard work, planning, application, and devotion all made up a successful Dance Committee. This Year was no exception and the Dance Committee indeed be lauded.







Imagination, ideas lead



Editor-in-Chief Tony Nissiey (top left) corrects copy for the Cadet '70. Steve Snyder, Gray Jennings and David Solari (top right), staff writers, enjoy a relaxed mement Business Managers Steve Woolford, Bob Hagan, and Huddy risman (right) converse on financial matters. The Cadet Staff (above), caught in a moment of feverish activity.





staff to cadet '70



Cadet staff discovers reality in creation and anticipation

In the introduction to this book, there is a phrase which aptly describes the feelings, the emotions, the responses of the staff of the CADET '70:

Will be to arrive where we started

And know the place for the first time,

The staff of any yearbook gets to know its school very well. Processing hundreds of photographs, thousands of ideas, summarizing a year — leads to a very intimate familiarity with an institution, a family. It is hard to imagine that any Cadet knows Benedictine better than the students who have compounded the activities, the aspirations, the spirit of this year into one small volume.

It was no easy task , . .

hours of preparation,
days and nights of work,
moments of intense
exasperation and anger,
conflicts
of ideas and ideals . . .
all part of the game.

Exploring an idea, creating a dream, anticipating the invisible . . . these are not the fanciful fantasies of a dreamy-minded group of adolescents . . . they are the substance of assured, creative minds. They are the foundations of the CADET '70

We have arrived at our starting point . . .
We have seen the dream become reality.
We know the place . . .
really know . . .
for the first time

John Crostic (Above) grins in approval of yearbook work, Wayne Snellings and Vic Dorr (Below) check sports copy for typographical errors.





Kevin Huennekens and Luis Urrutia (left) discuss next issue of Chevron. Kevin McGowan and Mike Smith (above) examine the day's news

Chevron staff '70 experiences



Steve Delanev, Fred Huennekens, and Gerald White (above) question the date of the next deadline Chuck McLane, Robert McMahon, Mike McCormac (right) recheck their copy





Quality paper produces stimulating, entertaining, informative, communication

pleasures of journalism in high school



Dennis McDonald and Steve Woolford (top) Are busy gathering money for the Chevron. James Guidera, Mike Agnes, and John Guslch (above) Discuss new developing stories

The Chevron is again one of the best high school publications in the Richmond area. This fine quality in Benedictine's newspaper is due to the excellence of the staff.

Co-editors Luis Urrutia and Kevin Huennekens have produced a paper that has presented the thought stimulating material explaining BHS.

News editor Kevin McGowan has worked many long hours in presenting to the Cadets an entertaining and informative tabloid.

The editorials that give the Cadets an opportunity to express their opinions, were handled by Richard Kelley and Kevin Huennekens.

Robert McMahon took over the rigorous job of reporting the sports events at B.H.S. It must be noted that the book page of the Chevron was indeed one of the best in years.

As in any operation, the Chevron needed money and this year's Business Managers, Steve Woolford, and Dennis McDonald provided the newspaper with sufficient funds through ads.

See how they run launches theatrical season;



Mr. Toop, I am shocked!" . . .



"Please, calm down, Miss Skillon." . . .



"Now, now, now



The unforgettable cast: J. Lucas, C. Miller, Jeanne Mason, G. Jennings, Marcie McReynolds, J. Crostic, P. Cunneff. Kathy Shuret, S. Snyder

Rehearse, rehearse . . . lines, lines . . . Day and night. Memorize those lines! Stage motions . . . can't forget those. Oh,

I'll never remember . . .

I'll never be able to . . .

Wait! Father, Father Augustine,

I've got it!

on stage . . .

sweat seeking escape . . .

Those lights! Glad I remember what What to do . . .

My next line!

Oh no I can't recall,

Thanks Jeanne

Afterwards. What remains afterwards?

Memories? Yes, of course

But more important the knowing

That, together with other people,

A goal striven for

has

been

reached

The satisfaction of accomplishment.

Jennings, Crostic, Lucas add colorful comedy





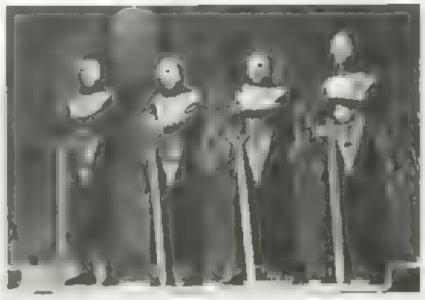


Murder in the Cathedral - first interclass



Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury -Richard Northup (Below) Henry II of England -Richard Kelley





Four Knights Lowery Lucas Jennings, Crostic



Four Tempters Woolford McGowan, Roberts, Zapke



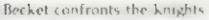
Becket returns to England . . . and death

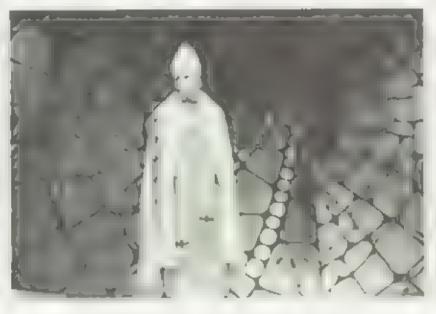
(below) Priests. Guidera, Collins, Huennekens



play - proves cadets adept at serious drama







Thomas resolves to face death . . .



Finale: Thomas glorified



The people of Canterbury, the king and priests and knights, gather to honor Thomas

CAST:

Thomas Becket Richard Northup
Sentry # 1 Pete Franklin
Sentry # 2 Jeff Haskin
Henry II Richard Kelley
Priest # 1 Jim Guidera
Priest # 2 Tom Collins
Priest # 3 Kevin Huennekens
Messenger Fred Huennekens
Tempter # 1 Jim Zapke
Tempter # 2 Steve Woolford
Tempter # 3 Steve Roberts

Tempter # 4 Kevin McGowan
Knight # 1 Jim Lucas
Knight # 2 Vincent Lowery
Knight # 3 Gray Jennings
Knight # 4 John Crostic
Members of the Chorus:
Students of St. Gertrude and
Benedictine High Schools
Staging by Paul Fitz-William
Art by Bat Jackson
Directed by F. Augustine, O.S.B.

Junior civitan builds citizenship at BHS

"Builders of Good Citizenship." This is the motto of the Junior Civitan Club at Benedictine. A relatively new club at Benedictine, Junior Civitan started just last year but because of its hard work has already become one of the most active clubs at Benedictine.

A Junior Civitan Club is primarily a service organization. The members learn to unselfishly serve their fellow members and their community. Traning for citizenship and true leadership are also developed in Civitan members.

The activities of the club this year ranged from selling donuts and turning the proceeds over to UGF to selling fruitcakes to raise money for a camp for retarded children.

The key to the success of this year's Junior Civitan Club at Benedictine lies in its members. They unselfishly gave up a great deal of their time and worked hard to make Civitan known at Benedictine as well as throughout the community.

President . . . Tony Nissley
Vice-president . . Gary Powers
Secretary . . . Burt Boehling
Treasurer . . . Phil Amrhein
Sgt -at-Arms Huddy Hyman
Chapter of David School





(First row): Ryan, Lucas, Williams, Kastelberg, McMahon, McDonald, Mardigian, (second row): Huennekens, Guidera, Delaney, Bandrofchek, Miller, McGowan, Gusich, (third row) McNally, Donahue, Millham, Sneilings, Urrutia, Oswald (fourth row): Jarvis, Cates, Fitz-William, Burke

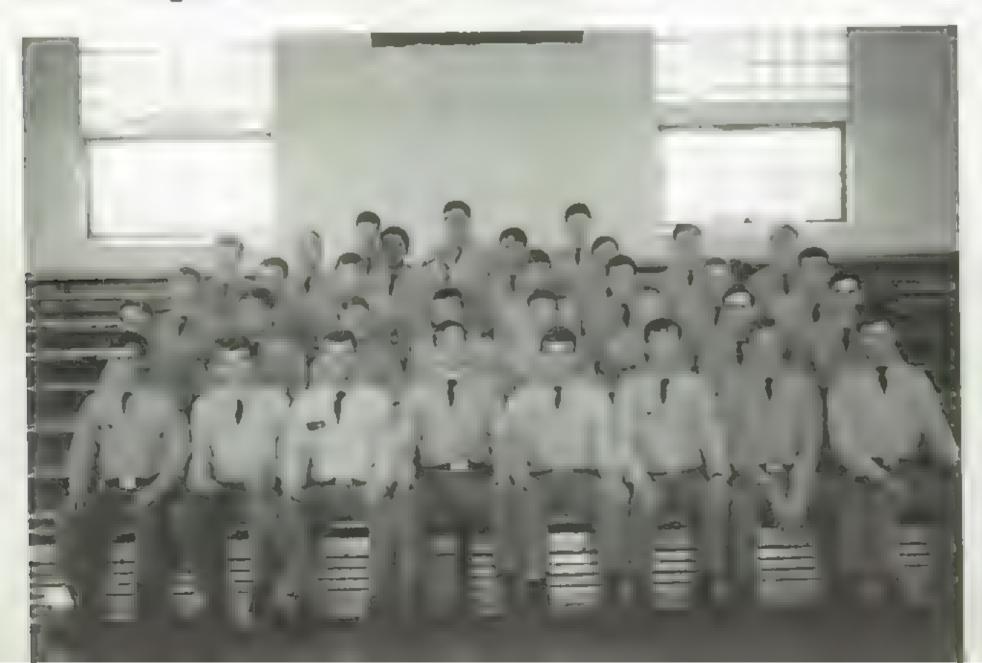






Coach Willie Crowder (Left), FCA moderator, relaxed after a game. (Right) FCA members: 1st row: Hoddinott, Irving, Harmon, Meyer, Smith, Kastelberg, Blewitt. 2nd row: Dozier, Scott, Usher, Donner, Jackson, Shepherd, Franklin. 3rd row: Gill, Huber, Finnerty, White, Cafferty, Daffron. 4th row: Guedri, Bannon

Fellowship of christian athletes blends sports,





integrity, service to B.H.S.

Coach Crowder,
moderator,
assists key student officers
in producing successful
year

(Left) Remaining FCA members: 1st row; Chiocca, Oswald Shepherd, Powers, Kastelberg, Yates, Roberts, Huddleston. 2nd row: Woolford, Boehling, Hyman, Jones, Cates, Zapke, Keenan R.P., Keenan Ro. 3rd row: Hagan, Lowery, Kelly, McDonald Powers, Martin, Loehr, Murphy. 4th row: McNamara, Amrhein, Shaw, Huber, Nissley, Gregory, Hunter. 5th row: Spencer Lucas, Marafine

It is not an exaggeration to say that the Fellowship of Christian Athletes is one of the most active organizations at Benedictine. Founded three years ago, the FCA was originally a small and rather ineffectual unit. But now, under the watchful eye of Coach Crowder, who has been the Huddle's only moderator, the Benedictine FCA has become an important and a rapidly growing group

And, unlike other clubs, the Huddle is active year round. During the summer months, two representatives are sent to a FCA conference summer camp at Black Mountain, North Carolina. This year, Donnie McNamara and Jud Anderson represented Benedictine at this function. They delivered a report concerning the camp at one of the first Huddle meetings during the fall

During the school year itself, the FCA is also extremely active. It undertakes many projects, although the most commonly known are parking cars and taking tickets during the B.C.C.C., and keeping the Basketball Court clear during all home games.

Guided by the leadership of President Huddy Hyman, Vice-President Rickey Kastelberg, and Secretary-Treasurer Donnie McNamara, the BHS Huddle has made a name for itself by successfully blending Athletics, christianity, and service to Benedictine



Above Senior Monogram Club members - (kneeling) Keenan, Ri, Spencer Tinsley, Wiltshire, Szczebak, Hagan (Standing)

lones, Fox Crostic Snyder, Denton, Keenan, Ro, Jennings, Redmond, Wallmeyer Lucas, Oswald, Lowery, Meyer, Lester

Pride characterizes Monogram club members







Above: Senior Lettermen - (kneeling) Shibley, Huber, Cates, Northup, Huddleston, Hyman, Powers, Boehling. (Standing)

Muse, Kastelberg, Shepherd, Kramer, Yates, Amrhein, Ross, Hurdle, Tichacek, Shaw, Jarvis.

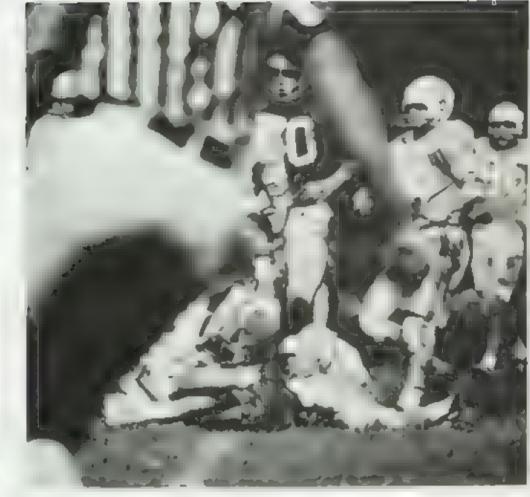
in upkeep of Cadet spirit

The importance of athletics to the everyday life and spirit of Benedictine cannot be underestimated by anyone. The Cadets who perform athletically — be it on a muddy football field, in a noise-blasted gymnasium, or in a sheltered rifle range — bring greater prestige to the name of Benedictine and serve as a point of union for the three hundred some other students

Recognition for this effort, of course, is most frequently expressed in the awarding of a varsity letter. But beyond this, there stands still another form of tribute — the Monogram Club. This organization, as its name implies, is limited in membership to those Cadets who have distinguished themselves by winning varsity letters. This, in fact, is the only requirement for mem-

bership. Achieving this requirement, though, is a difficult task which demands at least several months and often several years of preliminary practice, preparation, and competition. The Cadet may realize, however, when he receives his varsity letter, that it is not the highest award that Benedictine can give in honor of athletic achievement. Rather it serves to complement the feeling of devotion which a member of any team will develop for his teammates and his school. The Monogram Club at Benedictine performs an often unnoticed but still essential function. If by no other way than by their mere presence, this select group of Cadet athletes serves to keep at an unbelievable level the school spirit which is so much a part of BHS





Athletes grasp flame of



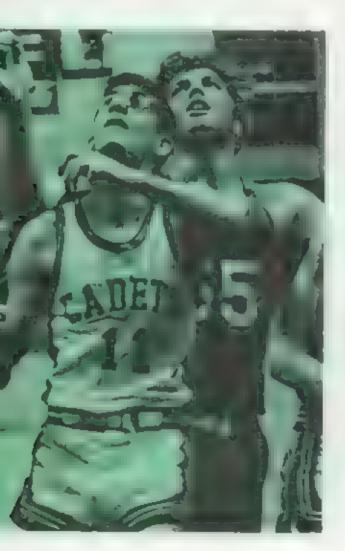




Whether in competition or in practice, effort spurs cadets



spirit; strive for the spark of success



Reaching, striving, straining for a goal. The end product of minutes, hours, days, months of practicing, refining. This makes the promise. Almost seen

Now we are ready. To strive for victory, or endure a loss. Here is the moment, we all work together. The satisfaction of knowing that we have done our best. Or the pain of knowing that we could have done better.

All of these things send us in search of values. We learn, or become more aware of the need for Charity and Christian sportsmanship. These things we learn while working together. These things guide us while we are reaching, striving, straining for a goal.

Spirit and sacrifice supply keys to Benedictine



(Above) 1969 Cadet varsity . . . Ist row: Bandrofchek, Szczebak, Kastelberg, Huber, Boehling, Powers, Murphy, Anderson, McKenna, Muse. 2nd row: Gusich, Howard, Amrhein, Yates, Marafine, McNamara, Cates, Tichacek, McNally, Richter, Scott. 3rd row: Hyman, Shibley, Hurdle, Northup, Ross, Huddleston, Shepherd, Shaw, Finnerty, McNally O'Grady, Chancey. 4th row: Coach Crowder, Coach Strauss, Jarvis, Hurdle, Kramer, Collins, Irving, Coach Zenner, Coach Loughridge, Coach McGinnis



Violent contact in the line as Benedictine meets Tucker

969 football success

AUGUST 11: In past years, the approaching of summer practice has always been heralded by a certain amount of fear and apprehension among the players. There was an unusual emotion surrounding the advent of summer practice for the 1969 season. It was simple, eager anticipation. A new coaching staff, headed by ex-University of Richmond assistant Jim McGinnis, was a prime cause for this unbridled enthusiasm. The varsity tryouts approached practice with eagerness the coaches with determination. Both knew, however, that the friut of their labor would not be evident until early September

SEPTEMBER 2: After nearly a month of hot, grueling workouts, a team was formed. On paper it looked like a good one. An offensive unit spearheaded by quarterback Donnie Ross, tailback Lionel Shaw, and wide receiver Burt Boehling promised to be devastating. The defense, led by seniors Phil Amrhein and Dennis Jarvis, and linebacker Phil Huddleston had both tradition and talent going for it. Of course, there is much more to a successful football season than simply potential.

At last, the stage was set.





(Left) . . . Rich Northup endures injury sustained in Tucker game (Above) Referee signals Cadet touchdown in homecoming against Matoaca

(Above) . . . Quarterback Donnie Ross releases pass in spite of Tucker rush (Right) . . . Benedictine varsity takes the field against St. Emma's

Forces behind a potent

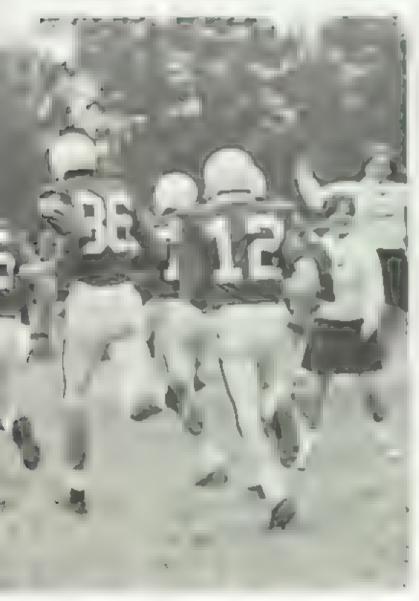
SEPTEMBER 5: The season opener was scheduled with Petersburg High School's Crimson Wave. The players and students, who were absolutely sky high, knew Benedictine could win. They traveled to Petersburg fully expecting to see such an occurance Petersburg scored first, though, and managed to cling to a slim 6-0 half-time lead. The Cadets had no better luck in the second half. The Wave scored again late in the game, and the final gun sounded with Petersburg on top 12-0

SEPTEMBER 27: After annihilating the Spartans of Broad Run 41-0, the Cadets came up against Saint Christopher's. Evidence of Benedictine's determination began to bubble over more than 24 hours before the game. Things began encouragingly for the Cadets as Lionel Shaw, despite an injured ankle, dashed 48 yards for a touchdown. St. Christopher's shoved across two quick scores in the second half, but a Ross-to-Powers scoring toss pulled the Cadets even, 14-14. Each team had several opportunities in the fourth quarter, but neither could capitalize. Although it is said that ties satisfy no one, Benedictine followers were both satisfied and pleased by the 14-14 score



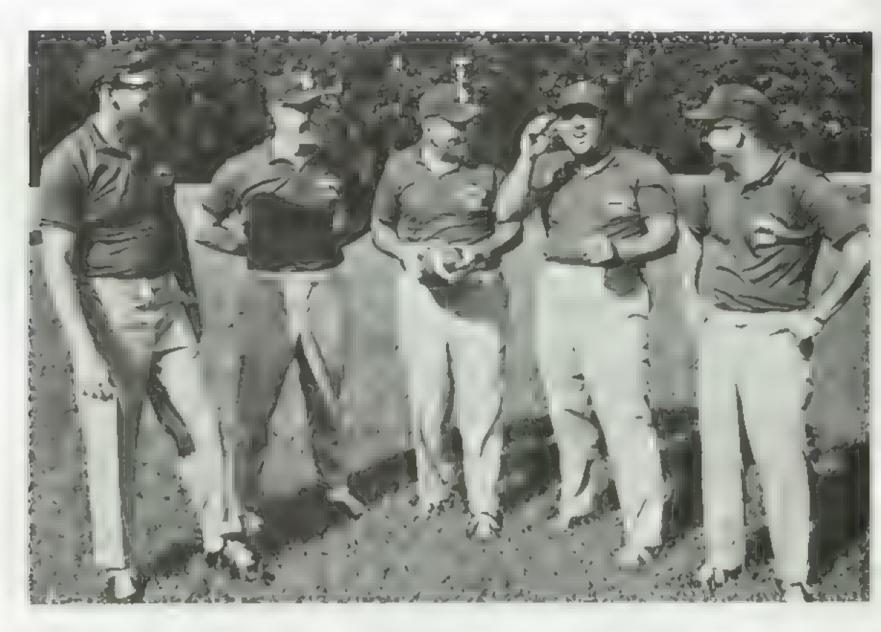
offense: Ross, Shaw mix air, ground attacks







(Top) Blocking by Anderson (43) and Huddleston (30) springs Shaw (44) for large gain (Above) On fourth and long, Boeh ing pants the ball away



A revitalized coaching staff sparks the varsity



(Above) . . . The Benedictine coaching staff shares a light moment — Coaches Zenner, Loughridge, McGinnis, Strauss, Crowder. (Right) . . . Head coach Jim McGinnis discusses offensive strategy





OCTOBER 18: After downing J.R. Tucker 3-0 on the strength of John Gusich's first period field goal, and bombing Varina to the tune of 28-0, the Cadets met the Warriors of Matoaca in Benedictine's annual homecoming game. Despite the team's winning ways, Coach McGinnis had been displeased with their overall play. He let the varsity know this without mincing words, and the results were immediate. The Cadets scored early and often against Matoaca, rolled up a halftime margin of more than 20 points, and coasted to a 31-12 decision. This scoring deluge added a large degree of enjoyment to Barbara Holzgrefe's coronation as homecoming queen.

OCTOBER 31: Benedictine advanced its seasonal record to 5-1-1 by rallying to defeat the Trojans from St. Emma's. The Cadets trailed by 16-6 at intermission, but came back violently in the second half to claim a 26-16 win. Against Lee-Davis it was a different story. Somewhat hampered by the cold, Benedictine could muster no offense save a 60 yard Ross-to-Boehling shot and fell to the Confederates 14-7.



(Top left) . . . Kastelberg (74) and Northup (32) lead Cadet charge against J.R. Tucker. (Top) . . . Judson Anderson reaches in vain for a Donnie Ross Pass. (Below) . . . Placekicker John Gusich kicks off against Midlothian



Co-Capt's Amrhein, Ross, promote desire, effort



Co-captains Amrhein and Ross receive instructions from Coach McGinnis

NOVEMBER 7: The Cadets journeyed to Christchurch knowing that they had to make a comeback, and knowing that they could. The two teams volleyed during the first half and Benedictine got away to a 14-12 lead. But junior Tom Collins returned the second half kickoff 80 yards for a Cadet score, and Lionel Shaw completed a fantastic ground game — 30 carries, 190 yards, 4 touchdowns — to ice a 35-18 Benedictine triumph. The varsity record had been pushed to a very respectable 6-2-1, and with but one game remaining, it was just about over.

November 15: And suddenly it was the last game of the season. The Cadets put their record and their season on the line against the Trojans of Midlothian. The weather was cold and occasional snow flurries blew across the field. The Benedictine varsity was grim and determined as they prepared for the kickoff. They badly wanted a win. They got it. John Gusich staked B.H.S. to an early 3-0 lead, Shaw scored on a one yard dive, and Phil Huddleston returned an interception 90 yards for another Benedictine tally. The score at half was 16-0. When the final gun sounded, it had become 29-7. Spirit . . . sacrifice . . . Success



Senier members of 69 varsity — 1st row: Huber Shepherd Kastelberg, haczebak, Amrhen Muse Ross, Hyman Northup

2nd row: Huddieston, Shaw Tichacek Shibiey, Yates Cates Powers Boehung 3rd row: Jarvis, Kramer, Hurdle



bove) . . . Junior Varsity — 1st row: White, Dougias, Haas itcher, Hunter, Oley, Clements, Sage. 2nd row: Cameron ewitt, Shepherd, Burns, Kastelberg, Temple, Gill Haskin

Wray. 3rd row: Coach Strauss Ross. Sweeney, Scruggs, Yesbeck, Kralj, Huber, Bandrofchek

Freshman Grid Squad (Right) . . . 1st row: Dreelin, Wathman, Rodgers, Holzgrefe Brooks. 2nd row: Vonder eher. Daffron Hoy, Saunders, Snead, Karn. 3rd row: Wellhouse, Wolfe, Williams, Piacentini, Natale, Dolan, Cash, News. 4th row: Coach Wohr, Ward, Murphy, Crow, Williams, Ballard, Watkins, Coach Sa.la





Mike Smith (Above) gives photographer grin of approval. Cross Country runners Nadder, Tolton Kiniry, and Dorr (Right) prepare to run course

Cross country runners

As far as Benedictine teams go, the 1969 Cross Country squad was a bit unusual. As far as seasonal records go, it was not

The Cadets opened their season with a stunning upset over the Hermitage Panthers, one of the area's strongest teams. This encounter set the pattern for the rest of the year, as the Cadets, led by captain Jim Spencer, rolled up a 7-3 mark. The highest placing runners for BHS were George Jones and, of course, Spencer, with newcomer Robbie Pecht adding needed support.

A team without a coach, the squad displayed total dedication in practice . . . although not necessarily to Cross Country. Touch football games became the standard workouts, and square-outs and post patterns became more common than laps around Maymont Park.

Oddly enough, though, practices such as this only served to generate a fantastic amount of spirit among the eleven team members. This may be realized, more than anything else, in the fact that this year, for the first time, members of the Cross Country team were truly sorry to see the season end.



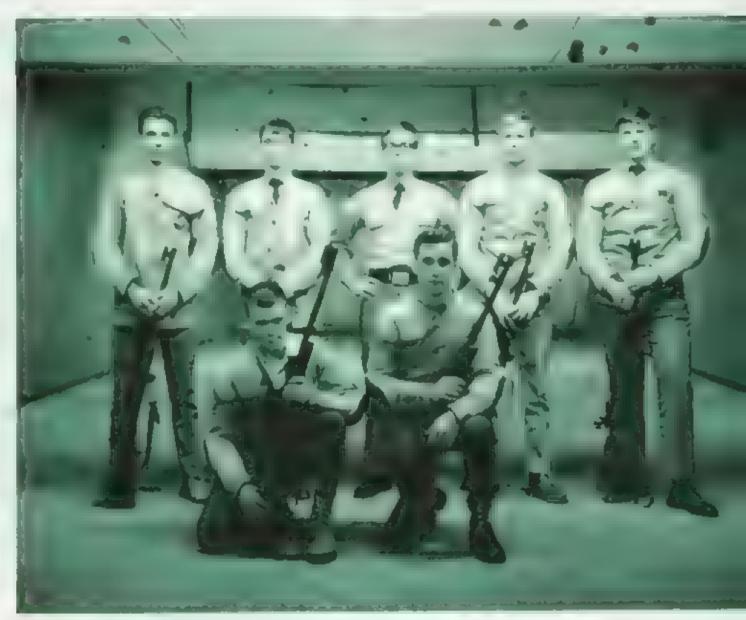
convert spirit, endurance into successful year





1969-70 Cross Country team (Top Row) Dorr, Nadder, Meyers, Spencer, (Second Row) Tolton, Pecht, Smith, Jones, (Third Row) Wooten, and Kiniry (top), Pecht, and Spencer, (Left) take a break after practice.

Snyder takes charge of rifle team.



Rifle Team 1970: Captain, Steve Snyder, Co-captain, Joel Denton

P. Nissley, A. Elko, G. Jennings A Wallmeyer, J. P. Wills



Breathe Relax Aim, Sight, and Squeeze Bulls-



Concentration results in better firing, scores



progresses

Result - most successful season.

A relatively new sport at Benedictine, the rifle team has done a tremendous job of rising from a small, unknown, activity to a successful Varsity sport. The man who has been most instrumental in this endeavor is the coach of the team, Nelson Eanes. Together with the assistance of Mr. James P. Wills, assistant coach,

he has led the team to many victories.

The captain of the team, Steve Snyder with the aid of the co-captain, Joel Denton, started at the end of last year training this year's team. Through classroom lectures, and many, many hours of practice on the range, they have guided the team with example and continuous, individual competition. Last year, Steve was awarded a trophy for having the highest average on the team, and along with Joe. Denton and J.P. Wills received a varsity letter. Steve was also chosen for NRA ALL LEAGUE TEAM.

This year the team members include a remarkable new addition to the team. Al Wallmeyer. Al has done extremely well in his shooting, as has the rest of the

team.

The team members include Steve Snyder, Captain; Joel Denton, Co-Captain; Graham Jennings, Scorer; Al Wallmeyer; J. P. Wills; Marion Fox; Al Elko; Tim Ryan; Paul Nissley; and Bob Breiner. All members have contributed the time, effort, and the spirit that enables any team, with either a winning or losing season, to feel victorious.



Joel Denton displays his prize-winning form.



Al Wallmeyer aims; makes it all seem so simple.



Newcomer Paul Nissley develops standing form.

Agility, quickness prove Cagers main assets

AUGUST 19: In late August, temperatures inside the Benedictine Memorial Gymnasium soar to well over 100 degrees, and it becomes an effort to breathe, much less to play 40 minutes of basketball. Nevertheless, it was here that the 1969-'70 varsity was born. This team was the object of much speculation and much debate. It was a young team and a very small team with few veterans returning from the previous year. But this unit had already proved itself by finishing second to George Wythe in the city's Summer League Playoffs, and by this fact alone seemed to bear good tidings for the coming season.

DECEMBER 23: In a very short time, the Cadets proved that they were, indeed, a very good team. After opening the season with a 77-46 rout of Matoaca, and then falling to Collegiate 49-64, the Benedictine varsity rolled up four consecutive wins — including a thrilling decision over St. Christopher's and two landshide Catholic League victories. As a team the varsity was a pleasure to watch. Seven regulars, five of whom were juniors, keyed an unselfish offense and a sticky, pressing defense. And, for the first time in several years, the Cadets were in position to make a strong run at the BCCC title.





Above right: ignoring two larger defenders, Bruce Ganey hits a driving layup. Right: Gary Powers is framed by opponents in battle for a rebound

as Cadets roll to impressive seasonal mark



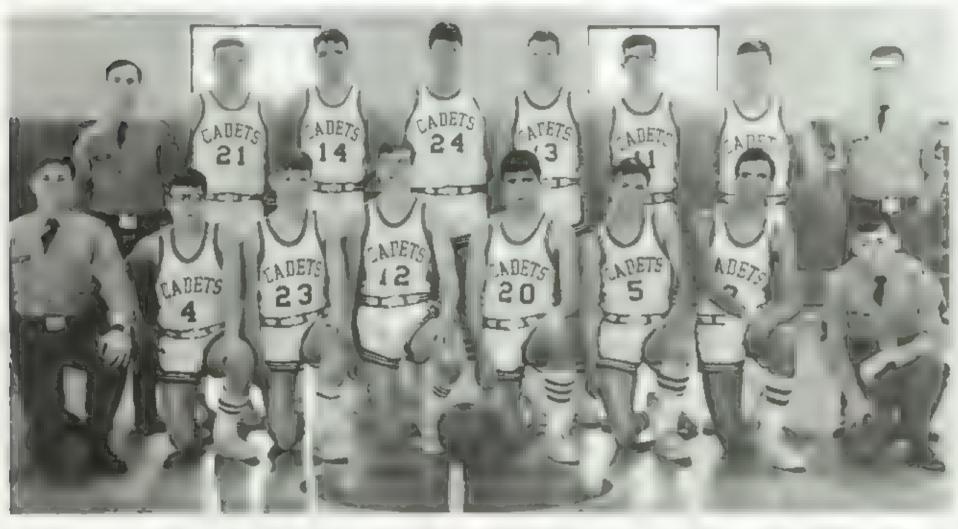
Reid Kelly, Jim Murphy (11) await jump against St. Christopher's



Varsity cheerleaders relax during a time out (from left): Karen Matzuk, Karen Shaumburg, Sue Cates, Ann Marie Brooks,

Mary Ellen Stumpt Risie B. lev Nancy Gibbons Theresa Smith, Kathy Shuart . . . not pictured - Ann Piccolo

Br. Rice defeats Canevin for BCCC crown;



Above 1970 Varsity Basketball team - (kneeling) - Hagan Ganey, Howard, Powers, Bowman, Goodman, Bradley, Burke.

(Standing) Keenan Hoddinott Oswald, Hurdle, Kelly Murphy, Ross, McMahon



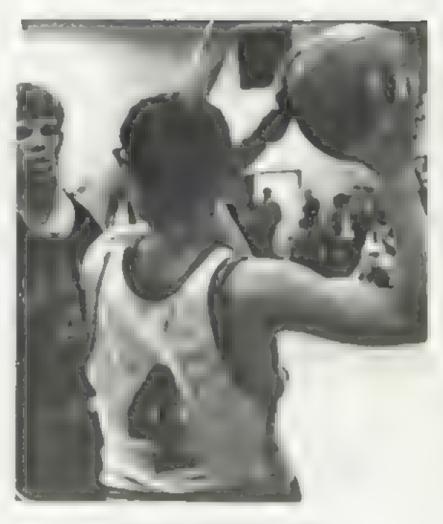
Above: Bob Beckstoffer, Senior cheerleaders keep spirit at a peak during Tucker game. Right: Jim Murphy stretches to sink a layup against Holy Cross



Cadets earn fourth place

DECEMBER 27: The 1969-'70 Benedictine Capitol City Classic brought perhaps the most wide open and interesting field in the history of the tourney. Participating teams included defending champion Canevin, Brother Rice of Chicago, Loyola of Baltimore, Shanahan of Pennsylvania, and Gibbons of New York. Rounding out the field were Collegiate, St. Christopher's, and, of course, Benedictine. There were no surprises in the quarterfinal play, with Canevin, Benedictine, Collegiate, and Brother Rice all advancing to the next round.

DECEMBER 29: The most exciting game in this year's tournament was the title game. 1968 winner Canevin reached the finals by defeating the host Cadets. Paired against them was unheralded Brother Rice, who had dumped Collegiate to reach the Championship. The outcome of this game was in doubt until the last two seconds when a full court pass gave Rice an unmolested layup at the buzzer, a 47-46 win over Canevin, and the 1969 BCCC crown.



Ganey combats Vanna defense



J.V. Basketball team (kneeling,) Dattron Dolan, McMahon, Smith, Haas, Meehan, Dreelin, Rogers, (standing) Holzgrefe, Harmon, Meyers, McLane,

R chardson Crow Murphy, Kuester Piacentini McKenna, Ward, Coach Lyons





Above: Cadet starters huddle prior to opening tap Left: Gary Powers attempts a short jumper against St. Christopher's. Below: Reserve Rick Hoddinott eyes the ball during the Matoaca contest. Above Right: Manager Rob Hagan is greeted by jubilant BHS fans. Right: Surrounded by three opponents, Jim Bowman prepares to shoot.



Heroics by Kelly, Ross result in key wins



JANUARY 19: The two day road trip to the Tidewater area left the varsity weary and exhausted, but it also left them with two more victories. Defeating Tidewater Academy 77-49 and Portsmouth Catholic 77-60, the Cadets swept this series for the first time in four years. Momentum for this weekend had been mounting since January 3rd, when Reid Kelly's last second shot in the second overtime staked BHS to a 59-57 victory over Holy Cross. This triumph dissipated the last doubts concerning the ability of the Benedictine varsity and firmly established the Cadets as a team to be reckoned with.

JANUARY 25: When Donnie Ross aimed a 40 foot push shot at the basket with one second remaining against Roanoke Catholic, everyone expected an overtime period. When the shot swished, the BHS supporters went absolutely wild as Ross and the Cadets posted a 54-52 win. This victory was the sixth in a row for the team, and, coupled with an earlier 57-39 pasting of St. Emma's, gave the Cadets victories over nearly every major contender in the Catholic League.



FEBRUARY 27: When the seedings for the 25th State Catholic Tournament were announced, it seemed only proper that Benedictine would begin its quest for the title by playing the Crusaders of Norfolk Catholic. The gymnasium was packed - literally - with hundreds of rabid Cadet fans who, that night, wanted nothing more than to defeat the Crusaders. Nor did they hope in vain, as Benedictine spoiled Norfolk's title hopes by gaining a 61-49 victory. Senior Cliff Hurdle played the finest game of his career, and Jim Bowman swished 19 second half points to help the Cadets overcome a siege of foul trouble and the late-charging Crusaders. Other first round victors were Roanoke and Holy Cross. St. Emma, with 34 points by Donald Thomas, shocked Ireton 68-60 and thus gained a semifinal berth opposite BHS.

FEBRUARY 28: With approximately six seconds gone in the first quarter, Jim Bowman canned a 15 footer to break a scoreless tie. The Cadets then sprinted to a 6-0 lead, and never trailed thereafter. Reid Kelly hit for 19 points, but his greatest contribution of the evening was on defense as he held Trojan ace Thomas substantially below his average. A scoring burst which was keyed by Bruce Ganey and Steve Goodman killed the last threat by St. Emma's, and Benedictine triumphed 54-45. By virtue of the win, the Cadets were propelled into the championship game. Their opponent was to be Holy Cross, the first seeded team. The Gaels had outlasted Roanoke Catholic in a scoring duel to gain the finale.

Above: Benedictine spirit reaches a fever pitch before the Championship game. Right Ganey and Goodman converge on a Norfolk Crusader. Below: After Holy Cross . . . "The agony of coming so close .



BHS defeats Norfolk







Catholic, St. Emma, falls in K of C title game

MARCH 1: Then suddenly, abruptly, it was all over. Early in the championship game the Cadets owned a three point lead and the ball, but the inside coordination of Baker and Coles of Holy Cross robbed Benedictine of its fast break, and the BHS offense simply bogged down. The Gaels surged back, and by halftime had an eight point lead. As the minutes of the second half ticked away, it became painfully apparent that Benedictine was going to lose the game and the Championship. The game ended with Holy Cross on top 68-50. Reid Kelly scored 17 points for the Cadets, but his effort, as was the work of the entire team in compiling a 21-9 record, was rendered temporarily meaningless by this loss.

But in the quiet, disappointed faces of Jimmy Bowman, Steve Goodman, and even Coach Rutledge, one thought seemed to linger as a comforting token — next year.

Next year, though, was still many months away, and for a while, anyway, the agony of coming so close — only to lose — would remain.

Above: Reid Kelly controls a rebound during the Championship. Upper right: A dejected Father Adnan watches as time runs out on the Cadets. Right: Co-captain Donnie Ross accepts runner-up trophy from Bishop Russel



Cadets close season with excellent record,



Above: Reid Kelly (13) fires a chest pass to J m Murphy (11) Lower right Donnie Ross (10) drives through St Emma's detense Below Coaches Rutledge, Lyons and Hanky observe varsity performance against Tucker





promise potent unit in '71



MARCH 3: The season has ended now, and except for the memories and the tangible reminders of a long but rewarding year, nothing remains. The memories are exceptional, though, and perhaps are worth reviewing. Hot July nights and the Summer League Tournament . . . Posting of the final cuts . . . The first practice session . . . The early victories . . . Dr. Kelly's halftime lectures . . . The initial defeats . . . Tidewater and the night at Howard Johnson's . . . The BCCC . . . Reid Kelly's shot which beat Holy Cross in double overtime . . . The Collegiate series . . . Ross' game winner against Roanoke . . Cliff Hurdle fouling out against Varina in 2:58 . . . The Roanoke weekend . . . The seven game win streak . . . Bowman at the controls of a crowded elevator . . . Hurdle falling out of bed , . shooting free throws during lunch period Shuttles ... Stop-and-go's
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Emma's ... Tucker ... St. Christopher's ...

One-on-one drills . . . Hermitage . . . St Emma's . . . Tucker . . . St. Christopher's . . . Collier . . . Bolla . . . Wagoner . . . Thomas . . . Baker . . . Coach Rutledge diagramming plays . . . Hagan distributing oranges at halftime . . quick prayers during time outs . . . and more

MARCH 17: "... a young team and a very small team with few remaining veterans ..." The Cadets will lose but four players to graduation, and to those will remain, next year already looks very, very good.



Upper left. Jim Bowman beats a Varina defender to the basket Above-Playmaker Bruce Ganey scores against Holy Cross



Batting and fielding drills

Left Donnie Ross scoops up a grounder in fielding practice. Below: Seniors Tom Tichacek, Bob Chiocca take batting, catching practice. Lower left: Coach Warren Rutledge contemplates the performance of his team. Lower right: Outfielder Tony Nissley demonstrates proper fielding technique to Rick Hoddinott







create a poised, experienced baseball squad



Above Returning Basebal Veterans W. is Redmond Tichacek Huber Goodman and Ross

Ironically, the most well known facet of any Baseball season at Benedictine is the conditioning program to which Coach Warren Rutledge subjects his aspiring tryouts. The players complain about it, the coaches joke about it, but everyone realizes that windsprints in February will pave the way for scoring in April and May.

But with the exception of this running, practically no attention is paid to the efforts of the baseball team. This is truly regrettable, because in the past several years, the team has developed a habit of winning. The past year was no exception, as a well balanced squad rolled up an impressive record. Senior lettermen Donnie Ross, Walt Huber, Tom Tichacek, and Jack Redmond filled key infield and outfield positions, and underclassmen Steve Goodman, J. P. Wills, and Tom Collins were tabbed as likely members of the pitcher-catcher staff. Under the watchful eye of Coaches Rutledge, Loughridge, and Lyons, the baseball team drilled itself to perfection in order to be prepared for the seasonal schedule

Much of this season was played at home, and the longest road trip was made to Christchurch. By far the toughest opponent was the Douglas Freeman Rebels, but games such as those with Collegiate and Hermitage also provided stiff competition.



Above Manager Gary Lester catches batting practice for Coach Loughridge

Track team excels in running, field events



Above Sprinter Lionel Shaw eases himself into the blocks before a race. Below Senior and Junior trackmen — Ist row: Wooten, Huddleston, Yates, Shibley, Amrhein, Shepherd, Dorr, Spencer, Hyman. 2nd row: Helfert, Clements, McDonald, Boehling, Kastelberg, Lowery, Shaw, Crostic, Jones, Patterson. 3rd row: Gregory, Fitz-William, Powers, Muse, Keenan, Lane, Chancey Sharp, Ryan

The Benedictine track team was faced with an unusual dilemma during the 1970 season — they had no track on which to practice. This obstacle was overcome by using the Virginia Museum grounds as a practice area. The sight of hurdles and an occasional covey of distance runners shocked many museum patrons, but this unusual training program shocked many of the Cadets' opponents during the year.

This year's schedule was highlighted by meets with St. Emma's and St. Christopher's and saw some of the toughest meets in anyone's memory. Coach Crowder's runners wound up the season in the State Catholic Meet, and a select few went on to the State Prep Meet.

A team somewhat lacking in depth, the track squad depended heavily on veterans Lionel Shaw - 100 and 220, Jim Spencer - 2 mile, Kerry Powers - 440, Vince Lowery - 880, and Shep Shepherd hurdles. Individual performances, though spectacular, don't win meets, however. For this reason the coaches looked to the likes of George Jones, Dennis McDonald, and Phil Huddleston to give added support in their particular events.

Despite the lack of regular facilities, the Benedictine track team never lessened its drive, and by this fact bore out Coach Crowder's statement that: "Nothing beats winning."



despite rugged opposition





Above Underclass trackment 1st row: Baird Williams, Boyle, Porebski, Stoss, Hoy, Campbell, Cash, Watkins, Pecht. 2nd row: Biewitt, Sage, Boyd, Merwin, Temple, Cafferty, Irving, Krali, Kmiry, White, Jackson, Hall 3rd row: Haskins Davis, Shepherd, Usher, Yesbeck, Hopcroft, Burns, Hurdle, O Grady, Richter, Beard, Byrne, Snead Left, Head coach Willie Crowder vigorously emphasizes a point

Golf team novices overcome inexperience





Top: The Golf Team (1st row) Guedri, Hillgrove, Kelly, Smith. (2nd row) Fisk, Gusich, Huber, Houghtaling, Stoss. Above: John Gusich prepares to tee off. Right: Tom Smith adjusts grip before putting through high grass

The golf team was this year experiencing a dilemma that is very common to BHS teams. Having lost to graduation the majority of its experience and scoring ability, the team was in something of a rebuilding year. Led by John Gusich and Bob Houghtaling, the squad nevertheless exhibited promising talent against some very rugged Richmond-area competition. Maturity came rapidly to this year's golf team members, and for them, next year already holds great promise.





Above: The Benedictine Tennis Team: (Seated) Burke, M. Clark, Burke, T. Franklin. (Standing) Keenan, Tinsley, McNally, Bottoms.

Tennis team achieves recognition in victory

For years, tennis was a truly minor sport at Benedictine. It lived in the shadow of the more popular spring sports, and as such, never received the recognition which it deserved. Now this situation is beginning to correct itself. Under the guidance of Coach Pete Franklin, the tennis program at BHS has progressed rapidly, and the won-lost record of this season's team showed this improvement. So did the schedule, as Benedictine played a slate representative of some of

the area's strongest tennis powers.

Although Coach Franklin's knowledge of the game of tennis was the keystone for this year's squad to build upon, his assistance could extend but so far. On the court, in actual competition, it was the athletes who determined the outcome of each match. Captain Bob Keenan, one of the few Seniors on the squad, and perhaps the most returnee, saw to it that win or lose, the spirit of the tennis team never flagged.

Below. Brian Clark strokes a forehand return. Right: Captain Bob Keenan serves to begin a match.









Underclassmen gradually







Classes of '71, '72, '73 discover that rank, responsibility, maturity count



shaped into cadets, leaders of tomorrow



"Come on, son . . . get out of the sack!" "Hurry up . . . if you don't get up now, you'll never make it to school!" "GET UP RIGHT THIS MINUTE!" "Mom . . . where are my pants?" "Naw . . . not that uniform, the other one!" "Mom . . . where did you put my shoes?" "Oh for cripes' sake! Oatmeal again?" "Mom . . . have you seen my books?" "What? Oh, I didn't bring any home." "Come on Dad . . . we'll be late!" "You mean he's sitting out in the car?" "Hi! Hi! Hi! Say, did we have any math homework? We did' "No sir . . . I didn't plan to be late for formation . . . we had car trouble!"

102 freshmen face challenges of bhs

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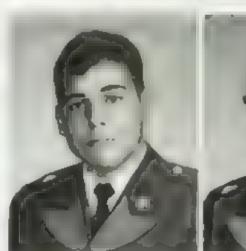




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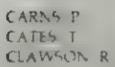
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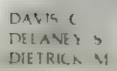


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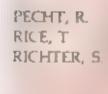
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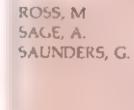


















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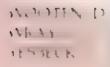


















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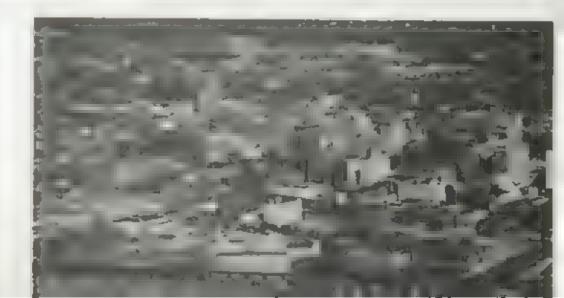






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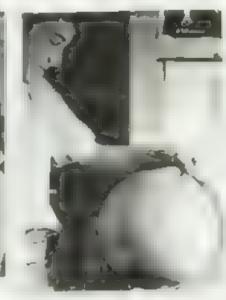


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One light burning . . .
Whistling whetting its' edge on the silence.
Is this all that remains?
Maybe, but if so then let it be told
That SOMETHING remained.

Then let that SOMETHING, if only a beacon Or a plea be told of as the Symbol. The Symbol of gratitude, melancholy, or utter joy.

A Symbol to all who will be told But never understand . . .



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